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WEATHER Hot and SUMPY

The sun is shining. It's a beautiful day. Inflation is falling. And...

I've had a bellyful

DONALD MACINTYRE and COLIN BROWN

After a week of simmering private anger, John Major finally erupted in frustration yesterday. Surrounded by disloyal MPs. intrigues and the open hostility of Lady Thatcher, he declared: "I've had a bellyful," In perhaps the most spectacular piece of Prime Ministerial understatement since Macmillan referred to a "little local difficulty" he complained about the "noises off" to which he is daily sub-

jected by his own party.

He contrasted the mid-June weather outside the pavilion in Porthcawl, where he was speaking to the Welsh party faithful with the storms raging in the party. "The sun is shining. It's a beautiful day. The political mood is changing. Inflation is falling. The economy is grow-ing. People are beginning to feel better off.

 But then, as so often hefore. he swiftly turned to party incipline: "There's no time for distractions. We need to go out there, onto the doorsteps, all of us, and put our case.

He has said the same sort of thing, year after year, at conference after conference. But no-one seems to have been listening. The parliamentary party does not expect that it will suddenly pull together. The press don't expect it.

And perhaps, in his heart scripted parts of his speech to dysfunctional family the Tory



John Major: Surrounded by disloyal MPs

of hearts, Mr Major no longer

But he plugged on, seeking to remind the Conservative Party and the voters that a Labour victory would throw nway the economic recovery over which he was presiding. Labour's changes would be "irreversible" - a clear warning to those in the party who believe they can regain power after a period in opposition.

In an interview for the Westcm Mail, Mr Major said: "I am not going to be distracted by noises off on one side or noises off from the other side. I have had a bellyful of that."

But he devoted the un- now is the seeming incurably

pleading with his party not to be distracted by their civil war over Europe. Don't let that important debate drift into individual clashes. Whatever the shades of opinion there are in the Conservative Party about the future of European policy, it is nothing compared to the distinctions between our policy and the policy of our opponents In the Labour and the Liberal parties. "We will need to fight

at home and in Europe.' There is something heroic about yet another primeministerial appeal for unity. But the controls seem to be seizing up now; the levers are no longer responding as they once did.

together to win our arguments

After seeing 78 of his back-benchers defy him on Europe, after seeming to have less in-fluence on his own party than a hillionaire husinessman with an obsession about Europe and not a political credential to his name, after being outrageousundermined by his predecessor, he must surely have had his worst week since he came into office six long years

But each week now seems like the worst week. He has had a bellyful, all right, hut it is, as he well knows, much, much, worse than mere "noises off," For what we are witnessing

party has become. Not even in its darkest days of civil war in the very early 1980s did the Labour Party contain so many nien and women prepared pub licly to behave as if they had give en up any hopes of winning the general election ahead.

The defeatism shows in every echelon of the party, from the activists who have seen their base on often well-run local councils destroyed by the unpopularity of the Government, to those Cabinet ministers now quietly dressing to the right in a repositioning for the real struggle they see ahead; the one for the soul and leadership of the Tory party which will follow its general election defeat.

But it is in the parliamentary party, above all, that the defeatism is evident. The common stance is that of "every man for himself," MPs who know in their heart that it is electorally suicidal to highlight their divisions on Europe week after week, troop into a division lobby against the Government to try to ensure that Sir James Goldsmith does not put up a candidate in their own con-

two Mrs are prepared to threaten the Government's survival to secure the retention of Edgware's casualty department. The national survival of the par-ty has now been subordinated to that of individual MPs-and hang the rest.



ing a sermon, one of the 4,500 manuscripts in the library of the monastery of Saint Catherine in Sinai. Twenty monks live hundreds of millions of dollars to restore the buildings of in the monastery which has been inhabited since it was the monastery and introduce modern methods to the library

A Byzantine painting of Saint Gregory of Nazianus compos- established by the Emperor Justinian in 550. Prince Charles



A Scottish fan enjoys the sun in London's Trafalgar Square yesterday Photograph: Edward Webb

Broken lace that turned a Englishman into a Scot

There will not be many with Anglo-Scottish identity crises at Wembley this afternoon, but one of the players in the historic European Championship encounter between the two home countries will know all about split loyalties. Stuart McCall, who marked

his 32nd birthday on Monday with a stirring display for Scotland against the Netherlands. has red hair, stocky stature and a spiky style that mark him out as Scottish. Yet he was born and hred in Leeds. He has the ac-cent and cricketing allegiance to

21s. I was so proud. But a few minutes later the secretary was

Late in the game, watching from the bench, he heard the prove it. And he would have hack saying: Even better news!

been forever English in the cycs of the football authorities the England Under-21s'." but for a "lucky escape" 12 years

Scottish".

bath after training when the club secretary came in. "He said: 'Good news - Alex Ferguson's picked you for Scotland Under-21s. I was so proud. But a few

McCall's parents hail from Hamilton. His father played for Blackpool before settling in Yorkshire. Young Stuart grew up supporting Leeds United and played for the city boys' teams, but he always "felt

One day in 1984 he was in the

McCall was pressed for an instant decision. Trevor Cherry, his manager at Bradford and a

former England player, nudged McCall towards England. "So I picked England. Yet as I went home I thought: 'How can I possibly play for them against Scotland? Jock Stein rang to wish me well then said I'd have been perfect for Scotland. But I thought it would be too awkward to change my mind so I went to Turkey with

How 'Mr Copper' became the world's biggest fraud

RICHARD LLOYD PARRY

Yasuo Hamanaka was not best known for charisma. With his steel- rimmed glasses and grey flannel suits, he was a generic the face of it, the most glamorous of commodities. But his confidence and his power to move this market were unmatched. So, it turns out, was his colossal dishonesty. We have had Nick Leeson.

the trader who brought down Barings. Then came Toshihide lguchi, a New York-based dealer awaiting sentence. Now the league table of rogue traders is topped by a new name. Mr Hamanaka, one of the world's most feared and respected copper traders, has left the mighty global Sumitomo Corporation trading company with losses nancial heft that he punched out totalling \$1.8hn (£1.2hn). The the window of the public Serious Fraud Office in London vesterday announced an urgent investigation into Sumito-

Just a few years ago, Mr Hamanaka was a business hero. TURN TO PAGE TWO | 1991 gave its star trader a dou-prices), and "Mr Five Percent"

as saving that the preeminent position of Sumitomo Corporation in copper trading is attributable to "expertise in risk senior Japanese salaryman. Nor management ". At this point, acdo non-ferrous metals sound, on cording to the latest accusations against him, Mr Hamanaka had been carrying on his illegal trade, completely undetected,

for five years. Lecson (\$1.4bn) and Iguchi (\$1.1bn) became notorious only after the event, when the details of their private lives were picked over with equal relish hy the British tabloids and their oriental equivalent, Japan's weekly magazines. But in the world of copper trading Mr Hamana-ka has long been a legend. Once, the story goes, a spec-

ulator in one London market became so frustrated with his figallery. Various nicknames accrued to Mr Hamanaka during his 26-year career at Sumitomo, only some of them printable: "Mr Copper", "Hammer" (from his name, and the pow-The Sumitomo annual report of cr he was said to command over

ble page spread of his own, com- (from the share of the copper plete with glossy portraits and adulatory profile. He is quoted to control). Mr Hamanaka is to control). Mr Hamanaka is said to have particularly prized this last tag, which was originally applied to a very different businessman - the great Armenian oil magnate Calouste Gulbenkian. This perhaps provides the key to his character and to the whole affair, which looks more and more like a morality

tale of corporate arrogance. Mr Hamanaka's public ut-terances reinforce this sense of impregnable hubris. "There are various rumours and slanders against me," he told an interviewer in 1991, "although I am getting used to them. Sumitomo was founded in the

early 17th century as a supplier of copper to Japan's shoguns But in the post-war period it had fallen behind its competitions in the market for non-ferrous metals. Unlike its rivals among the massive Japanese corporations. Mitsuhishi and Mitsui. Sumitomo had no copper mines of its own and thus no access to the raw material. According to employees in rival trading compatrumped them by coming up

itomo could control the flow of metal through the market by investing in copper futures and options - contracts to buy or sell a quantity of a commodity at a specified date in the future. By the early 1990s the strat-

egy had paid off handsomely. Sumitomo became the higgest copper trader in the world. But when the 1980s boom came to an end, nowhere was it felt more acutely than in Japan. Soaring property prices had fuelled lending boom; when the bubble economy burst, the banks were saddled with numberless loan that could never be repaid: es timates range from 40 trillion yen (£24.2bn) upwards.

The cost of the bubble has at fected Japan's business culture exposing crime and huge fraud The problem was starkly pu yesterday by Seiroku Kajiyama the Chief Cabinet Secretar and officiat spokesman of th Japanese government. "The moral fibre of all Japanese ha deteriorated and they have be come desensitised about mon cy," he said apocalyptically. cannot help hut express deep concern that such tendencie have become widespread."

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Blair 'inner cabinet'

Brown, Robin Cook and Donald Dewar would all be mem-bers of a Blair-led "inner Cahinet" is provided by their being awarded Privy Councillorships in the Queen's Birthday Honours today.

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Nightmare returns Yesterday I was untouchable. in control... Then I woke up and heard the news of the new child abuse inquiry... Suddenly I was a ehild all over again,

hurting and crying..."
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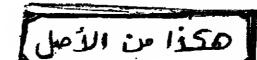
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SIGNIFICANT SHORTS

Afriend of the convicted rapist Owen Oyston, Peter Amerin, systematically raped and abused irenaged girls for

more than 13 years, a court was told yesterday. Mr

Martin 56, a former policeman, recruited young girls to his Manchester model agency and forced them to have violent set, Manchester Crown Court was told.

Helen Grindrod, for the prosecution, said girls as young as 11 and 12 were taken by their mothers to Mr Martin's agency, where he allegedly videotaped them as they stripped naked to be weighed. Police discovered 482 such videos behind an

They were also allegedly forced to have violent sex with him at his home in Sale. Cheshire. They would have their hair pulled.

at me nome in sale, the sume. They would nove their nair polited, faces siapped and sometimes be bound and gagged – and all the while being told they enjoyed the pain. Mrs Grindrod alleged Mr Martin, of Sale, Cheshire, denies raping eight girls, and six charges of indecent assault, five of which allegedly involved on girls under the age of 16. The trial continues.

The Dumblane inquiry encused a missing girl from giving evidence yesterday after hearing how she had been trapped in hell since the massacre. Victoria Haggar, 15, disappeared from her Aberdeen home last Saturday. She had written to the inquiry chairman, Lord Cullen, saying she had nightmares about Thomas Hamilton. The terror returned when

menumares about Thomas Hamilton. The terror returned when Hamilton killed 16 children and their teacher in March.

The girl find accompanied her mother when she went to a camp at Loch Lomond to 1988 run by Hamilton. Victoria's brother. Andrew, was attending the camp and their mother told the inquiry she went along to keep an eye on Hamilton. Yesterday lan Bonomy QC, for the Crown, told the inquiry in Stirling that Victoria's evidence was covered by other witnesses and Lord Cullen said she would not have to attendine said Lord Cullen said she would not have to attendine said Lord Cullen said she would not have to attendine said she would now return home. It is book of poems left at mother's house last Saturday. Victoria said she was "trapped in a private hell".

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Forum proves a pedant's paradise

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DAVID MCKITTRICK Ireland Correspondent

The Northern Ireland political forum, whose 110 members emerged from last month's election, yesterday took a leisurely three and a half hours to conduct two minnr items of business.

Meeting in the distinctly unparliamentary surroundings nf a converted department store near Belfast city centre, the mood of delegates was more comic than rancorous.

But instead of responding to the admonition of the Northern Ireland Secretary, Sir Patrick Mayhew, to show itself as "a force for reconciliation and healing", the meeting proved to be



Long talk: Ian Paisley (standing) makes a point to John Gorman, the forum's interim chairman (left) yesterday

chairman John Gorman of the Ulster Unionist Party turned the meeting into what in Northern Ireland parlance is known as "a a procedural pedants' paradise. geg" - a largely good-natured flashed in the surface only oc- nn something."

The bitterness which surfaced among Unionist parties in the formal negotiating talks at Stormont earlier in the week

The light hand of interim and entertaining knockabout. casinnally, but interminable points of order led to the plaintive appeal from Mr Gorman: "I want to try and end the first. day of the forum with a decision

Although the forum provides members to the main talks process, it has itself no legislative, administrative or ex-ecutive powers. Its political importance is further diminPhotograph: Brian Little

ished by the fact that Sinn Fein boycotts its meetings.

By the end of the first session the forum finally managed to decide the make-up of its rules and business committees.

Television: The appointment for the current controller of BBC2 is the last of the senior appointments expected in the wake of list week's radical reorganisation. Mr Jackson will also be controller of BBC1, and take responsibility for co-ordinating strategy across the two channels. His successor of BBC2 will be appointed following a constitute of the controller of BBC2 will be appointed following. at BBC2 will be appointed following a competition.

The amionic count follows confirmation this week that Alan
Yeartob, currently controller of BBC1, will become director of programmes at BBC Production, with responsibility for programme making across the corporation. Mathew Horsman.

OPs are back on collision course with ministers over The hinne of their work. By an overwhelming majority, the surer of their work. By an overwheming majority, the annual conference of local medical committees — which represents GPa—voted to seek a new "core" contract which would exclude work already undertaken by GPs unless they were paid extra for doing it. They also insisted that GPs must be employed individually and not in groups, should not be employed by NHS Trusts and should continue to operate on a practicability sorted compact.

a nationally agreed contract.

The decisions came despite this week's proposals from Stephen Dorrell, the Secretary of State for Health, to pave the way for more varied general practice. Family doctors, he is proposing could be employed in a wide range of ways to said local connistances. He is most unlikely, however, to agree a national core contract, with GPs seeking to cut back on ensuing workload for the same pay. Nicholas Timming

Marks & Spencer dismined Euro-sceptics by placing a particular to the property of the property net using British beef by products in its French stores, just days of the EU agreed to ease its ban on them. M&S is seen by the French as an icon of all that is British, and its very the French as an icon of all that is British, and its very the point of the product of the pr

Profits that came from thin air A pays £2,500 to Titan and then recruits B, C and D, MICHAEL STREETER The ruling means that a num-How the pyramid works

A "pyramid-style" selling scheme which involves no product was suspended by the High Court yesterday after a judge ruled it was an "unlawful lottery". Sir Richard Scott said the venture run by German-based Ti-

tan Business Club was "highly unsatisfactory, highly suspicious and thoroughly undestrable". He ordered that no further "revivalist-style" meetings be held to promote Titan until the court hears a Department of Trade a sustainable basis. and Industry application to have the organisation wound-up.

ber of new investors could face losing their initial payment of £2,500. Last night one of the Chancellnr of the Exchequer's senior economic advisers said he was being paid to restructure the scheme which was introduced to Britain last October. Professor Patrick Minford, one of the "six wise men" who advise the Treasury, said he thought the "snow-ball plan" run by Titan and which has 9,000 United King-

SHV Senator of Hamburg, which runs the venture, said it

dom investors could be run on

will be appealing against the rul-ing. Its lawyer Charles Bucklety said it was an "excellent" scheme which was pioneering a new form of investment.

The Titan programme involves an initial investor laying nut £2,500 in cash - though this is rising to £3,000 - once he or she is accepted by a management meeting. The original investor makes money by persuading another person to oin. For the first two successful referrals the investor receives £450 each, but for a third person the investor steps up to the status of "senior partner", or "wholesaler", and is paid £450,

plus £770. The remaining mnn-ey - £1,280 - goes back to Ti-tan and its senior staff. For each of the people persuaded to join who then perinvestor will receive £770 which is how investors are sup-

posed to make their profits. Sir Richard said that Titan was bound to fail one day and those last to jnin would lose their money. The judged added that he was bound by legal precedent in rule that the scheme was a "Inttery" because of its snowball nature and conceded that there had been nn

Englishman

into a Scot

words he had begun dreading:

"You're gning on."

Had he played, he would never have been able to wear the Scottish shirt. McCall asked

how much time was left. "Three "That was what got me. Eng-

land didn't want me because they thought I could affect the

game, but as an insurance pol-ky. If I came good later they

Desperate, he drifted nff be-hind the goal, warming up. The bench screamed. He pretended

not to hear. Bobby Mimms, an-

other substitute, was dispatched

to hring him back to the

dug-out.
There he snapped a tie-up,

lost a shin-pad - more delaying tactics. "They were saying: 'Quick, let's get you on' and I edged to the touchline. Just then

the ref blew for time. I hreathed

McCall rose to play for Glas-

gow Rangers, where he is currently the team mate of Paul Gascoigne, although the two

men have put their friendship in abeyance until after the final whistle this afternoon.

"It's the biggest international I'm ever going to play in, so

friendship goes out of the win-dow until quarter to five," Me-

"Then me and Gazza will go back to being pals." And, he hopes, to being on the winning side, thanks to a last-minute change of identity and a broken

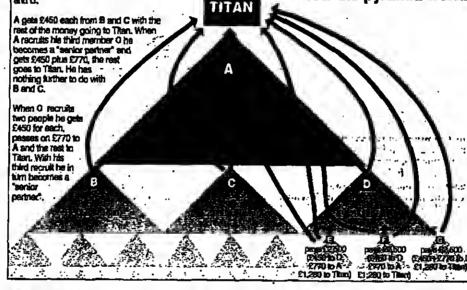
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Call said.

a massive sigh of relief."

could claim me as theirs."

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fraud or swindle of the public. But despite his concern over the scheme, it would be wrong to appoint a provisional liquidator

as the DTI had also sought. Many investors last night said they were "devastated" by the verdict. Dec Cluskey, of the 1960s chart-topping pop group the Bachelors, said later: "A lot of showbusiness 'names' are

now members and we love it. are all professional people Today's judgment is a great pity. I think Titan is one of the best entrepreneurial schemes I

have ever seen." Another investor, a management consultant who wished tn be known only as Mr Hussain, said: "There is a great deal of skill in keeping in touch with all your junior partners. We

who are being denied one of the best opportunities to make

money to come to this country."

Last night the Liberal Democrat MP David Rendel, who described the scheme as an "iniquitous pyramid-selling scam", welcomed the ruling Germany ... DM4.5 Sweden. ... Skr21. and said he hope the scheme would be wound up soon.

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As a child you are abused, but it is only as an adult and the guilt. self-hatred and anger start to eat away at you'

Charlotte, a successful PR consultant, was trying to exorcise the ghosts of a terrifying past when news of an imminent inquiry into child sex abuse brought back painful memories

Yesterday I was untouchable, in ballroom dancing, spurred on by what had been happening. control, running a successful fi-nancial marketing consultancy. I created campaigns, juggled apmeet grey-suited men who wanted my help to produce leads I enjoyed the stress, and fought off the competition. Above all I was strong, I was a woman in a corporate suit. earning respect in a maledominated industry.

Yesterday I woke op and heard the news of the new child abuse inquiry and I heard of the victims, their suicides. Suddenly I was a child all over again, hurting and crying like a vulnerable infant abandoned in the middle of a busy road with fast cars approaching from every direction to knock me down. I was terrified as it all came flooding back to haunt me. It was probably more than a year ago now that I last had one of these "lapses", but this time it was just so much more

painful. It was too real, too close

to home, and I realised oo amount of corporate clothing could protect me today.

As a child you are abused, but . I is only as an adult that the real : Suffering comes through and the orture of guilt, self-hatred and inger start to eat away at you. ne consumed by an over--vbelming aggression, a thirst for lestruction or, more accuratey, self-destruction, which rips way at me. At night, when I leep I try to escape it all, but he dreams just keep coming

. Like the victims oo the radio roadcast, eight years ago too attempted suicide. Inroughout university I spent tree years pursuing my deathish, trying to destroy the hate-il person that I was. My third ind last suicide attempt insti-itionalised me for a while and, ut for the hospital apparatos, might not have had this secnd chance at life - but I nevregret it. Even now I see it s just another failure. As one I my succession of therapists colained over the years. I was agry. I took the gun and turned through 180 degrees and shot syself. In reality I wanted to tho had so irrevocably changed y whole life through his own rverted and selfish needs, all lose years ago -when I was too ning to know any better. I wish could accept that today, but reo oow, almost 30 years old. feel the guilt of letting it appen and I hate myself so

esperately. It all began around the time my 12th birthday, when I took y first steps into competitive

a pushy but proud mother.

At school I was an achiever, top-stream in all subjects and with a bright future laying ahead, but it was my dancing that I lived for, that I loved. A year later it all began to change. My dance teacher, whom I had respected and admired, became my mother's secret lover. One night I heard their screams and their lovemaking behind the door of a holiday chalet, where I was also staying with my

dance partner, in preparation for the competition the next day. In the morning the nightmare began. Sam, my middle-aged, grey-haired, married dance teacher started to undress his "little star" and then, to touch her and squeeze her and force

her to caress him back. "Don't tell anyone about our little secret, no one needs to know," he used to say, and so it continued. Again and again, at every opportunity, at every dance competition, in every

'Don't tell anyone about our little secret, no one needs to know, he used to say, and so it continued

dance lesson, he would touch more, ask me to kiss him more and demand more. I didn't fight it, I couldn't tell my mother as she loved him and she would not have believed me anyway, I couldn't tell my father as I didn't want him to split up with my mother or stop my

So I let him do it to me, again and again, sometimes crying through it but always his "little star". When he called my dancing friends by the same name it made me shiver to think there may be more like me, living this nightmare too.

In an effort to stop him, to take away my slim, gulish body with its smooth adolescent curves, I resolved to diet - obsessively. A year later, weighing withdrawn, I still hadn't succeeded in stopping him.

The only option left was to give up my dancing career, to prevent my mother having an excuse to see him and to cut him out my life for good. My mother screamed at me, when I told her. "You're doing this to hurt me, why don't you like him anymore, he loves you".

All the time, I woodered

whether she ever had any idea

Probably not.

My life from then on has been a constant fight to find anything about myself which I could like. My adolescence saw the start of eight years in which I continued to hurt and punish myself, destroying my body with ancrexia and bulimia. I took a radio into our family bathroom and vomited away the food and the pain, loving the thrill of taking my ugly body away, hiding it from male eyes.

My periods stopped com-

pletely for over six years, and even now are barely restored oot that I cared. I never wanted to be a woman, I hated them. They were like my mother, they were cheap sluts with hor-rible lovers who abused little girls. Consequently my prob-lems with accepting women and respecting them have lin-

gered on, even today.

Aknost 16 years after it all began you would think I would have "got over it" but you never do. Even oow I see a therapist, but fortunately I have a very loving partner and good friends who help too. Last year I was sterilised when it was discovered that the damages I had done to myself had made pregnancy and potential complications too great. Now I have to live with that, but I blame him, wherever he is oow, whoever he is abusing now What angers me most is the fact that he is still out there, probably doing the same thing all over again.

I often think that if I had a oun I would have killed him by oow, or my mother, whichever was easiest. They have destroyed so much of my life that it almost seems incongruous to see how successful I am now.

To beat them, you have to fight back. I have learned to live a life where every day I must continue that fight - for accep-tance at work, for respect from my colleagues and just to have something to keep me going, to prevent me failing all over again, to make me turn away from the pills staring at me in the bathroom cabinet.

No one, except the abused, will ever understand the pain, if-hatred, the te wanting to escape from it all, but death is too easy an option.

Child abuse kills, it almost killed me, but as an adult I have learnt to fight back. Tonight I will turn oo the radio and listen to the broadcasts, to the abuse inquiry commentaries, but now I will know that I have shared my pain with you and perhaps some of my guilt will be just that little bit easier to handle.

Letters, page 13 Mr Hague, who will make a Mr Hague as a result of an



Looking forward, looking back: Every day Charlotte struggles to escape the pain of years of childhood abuse Hague to publish fresh child abuse report

Davies QC of failures in Clwyd

Chief Political Correspondent

William Hague, Secretary of State for Wales, is to publish a fresh report into child abuse in residential homes in North it could happen again unless action is taken to tighten checks

on staff. The report by Adrianne Jones, a former director of social services in Birmingham, concludes that more work is oceded if the failures highlighted in the earlier Jillings report into the scandal in children's homes in Clwyd are

not to be repeated.

statement to the Commons on earlier examination by Nicola Monday announcing the details of the judicial review into the Clwyd affair, will give details of the terms of reference and the in homes in both Clywd and name of a senior legal figure to head the inquiry. Stephen Dor-Health, will announce in a separate written answer details of a national review into procedures in children's homes to

combat abuse, which is to be headed by Sir William Utting. It was the report by Ms Jones which proved decisive in the Cabinet's decision on Thursday to go ahead with the judicial inquiry and the wider national review. It was commissioned by

homes to protect children. Ms Jones looked at the abuse issue neighbouring Gwynedd, which has not been the subject of any Commons on Monday that the Jillings report, commissioned by Clwyd County Council, was signed by no one, failed to

make clear how the evidence had been gathered, and was so "peppered" with libellous allegations against staff that it

could not be published. He had sent it back to the successor authorities who replaced Clwyd County Council

a way of getting it published. The matter came to a head when they decided they were oot going to release it. "That is ooe of the factors that strengthquiry," a senior government source said. Mr Hague overcame early reluctance from other departments for a full public inquiry. He received the Jones

report a week ago and briefed

a Cabinet committee on Thesday

ganisation and told them to find

in the local government reor- have a lot of work to do. It does

which gave the initial recommendation to the Cabinet for the inquiry and review to go ahead.
"The Jooes report is about the present and the future rather than the past. It says we

not say [the abuse] is still going on but it cannot guarantee that it isn't," the source said. "It will say things have improved a lot but more needs to be done. It quity at the Cabinet on Thurs-

day and announced it in Prime Minister's Questions. Mr Hague, who has been praised for his decisive action, was fi-oalising the details for the inquiry while he was in Porthcawl Mid Glamorgan, yesterday for the Welsh Tory conference. He will set out the background and terms of reference, and the Labour authorities are unlikely to emerge unscathed.

Motorists given smog warning

ged motorists not to take to e roads this weekeod, if they ive cars not fitted with catytic converters, because a assive cloud of "ozone smog" as expected to cover much of ie country.

The official advice affects early all cars with a registraon letter before L. It adds that one should use their cars for urneys of less than 1.5 miles. The build-up of smog has en caused a combination of ill air, intense sunshine and pilution from traffic, power sta-

Government yesterday tions and industry. Forecasters said this smog, the second of the month, would be almost entirely due to home-grown pollution, with little contribution from the rest of Europe.

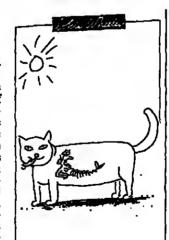
In New Zealand, the widening of the hole in the ozone layover the southern hemisphere has had an unex-pected side-effect: a large number of pets with tattoos.

Vets, alarmed at the rising incidence of skin cancer in animals noticed that dark-skinned pets were less likely to suffer. Solution: to give added pro-

tection to pale-skinned cats and dogs via the tattooist's needle. Thousands of animal-lovers have been attempting to protect

their pets from ultra-violet rays, by tattooing them black. In the treatment, a dark pigment is applied to cats' and dogs' ears and noses - the areas where there is poor hair cov-er. Other pale-skinned animals such as cattle and sheep, are also proce to cancer from exposure to increased radiation but they do not get preventive tattooing. "If they get tumours, we just shoot them," a vet said. "They

now divided about the value of the treatment. Allan Bell, an animal dermatologist, says that he has now stopped tattooing. The only way to prevent a pet from getting skin cancer, he argues especially since smearing on sun-block is oot entirely practicable - is to persuade cats and dogs to stay out of the sun. This, however, is difficult. "Cats insist on basking in the sun," said one vet."They regard it as an es-sential part of their lifestyle."



Mystery of 'three-legged' saint

Religious Affairs Correspondent

Scientists examining the relics of a 7th-ceotury saint venerated in Birmingham have discovered that his casket contains three legs rather than the customary two.

Radio-carbou dating, how-ever, has established that five of the six bones in the reliquary of St Chad may well be genuine. since they date form the 6th or 7th century; ooe of the bones which Catholics have revered for 1,300 years is a ceotury or

two older than the rest. The Oxford archaeologist who carried out the test believes that that bones from three bodies were jumbled together when the saint was reburied.

St Chad, or Ceadd, who died in 672, was the first Bishop of Mercia, with his seat in Lichfield, where he was huried. He had been, briefly, Archbishop of York, before he was removed from the post by St Theodore, Archbishop of Canterbury. His bones had been moved to a new church in 700 and were kept in

Reformation, wheo Henry VII abolished the cult of relics. St Chad's brother, Cedd, was monastery where St Chad was later abbot. On hearing the

news of St Chad's many-legged state, one distinguished Cath-

olic historian joked that the extra leg might belong to St Cedd.

In the light of the research,
the Archbishop of Birmingham, the Most Rev Couve de Murville has issued a decree authorising continued devotion to the relics - provided it is di-Lichfield Cathedral until the rected at all the bones equally.



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Lib Dems to raise new tax on fossil fuels

NICHOLAS SCHOON Environment Correspondent

Liberal Democrats want a new tax on coal, oil and gas to cut value added tax across the board or to reduce employers' national insurance contributions.

Party strategists believe that their latest versioo of a "carbon tax" on fossil fuels could create hundreds of thousands of new jobs, while curbing Britain's emissions of the greenhouse gases which bave hegun to al-

ter the earth's climate.
The tax would be levied according to how much carbon dioxide gas each fuel produced when hurnt. Thus coal, the most polluting fuel, would be the most heavily taxed, gas the least and crude oil in between.

According to the Liberal Democrats' new energy paper, approved by the main policy committee, the tax would be applied "at the point at which fossil fuels enter the economy extraction or import". The tax, which will be debated at the party's autumn conference, would introduced gradually. Matthew Taylor, the party's en-

"Our aim is to create an ex- cause they produce no global pectation of rising prices rather than a price shock. At the moment prices are falling, so the incentives to save energy and cut pollutioo are reducing too. We want to reverse that."

Eventually the carbon tax could raise more than the entire £14bn a year from VAT on all goods, but the party says it would take more than the lifetime of one Parliament to reach that level. There would be special measures to belp low-income households.

Any damage to the economy from higher fuel prices would be more than offset by the extra growth and employment resulting from cuts in VAT or employer's national insurance payments. Several computer models have backed this view. Such studies have shown that a carbon tax would lift gas and electricity prices by about the same perceotage, but have a smaller impact on vehicle fuel prices because these are already taxed more heavily.

Nuclear power and renewable energy sources, such as wind turbines and hydroelec-

warming carbon dioxide.

As for the existing VAT oo bousehold gas and electricity, the Liberal Democrats could propose keeping it at the exist-ing 8 per cent or cut it to 5 per cent - the minimum allowable under European Unioo rules.

The European Commission has been proposing a carbon tax made very little progress towards implementation - largely because of strong objections from the British government. The Liberal Democrats have been the only mainstream British party in favour of such a tax since 1990.

The party wants Britain to go it alone with a carbon tax if Europe-wide agreement cannot be reached. Four other EU nations bave aiready done so. ■ The left-leaning Institute for Public Policy Research will next week propose a radical shift to "green taxes" which, it says, could create up to 700,000 new jobs. The package iocludes commercial and industrial energy taxes, higher road-fuel duties, higher waste-disposal

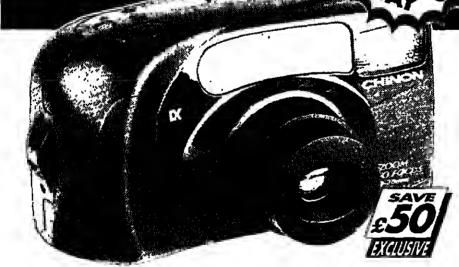


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Many hands make light work: The 19th-century navigation beacon marking the entrance to Portf-gain harbour, West Wales, is undergoing restoration. Rangers and wardens of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park are pictured repointing it with traditional lime mortar Photograph; Rob Stratton

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Art dealers close ranks in wake of fraud

Jojo Moyes finds the art world in denial and looking for a scapegoat

Privately, dealers and auction they will refund the price of a houses are admitting that prices work of art sold through them will fall. But, faced with a cootemporary art scandal stretching back six years and involving top galleries and modern masters, the art world is maintaining a visage as screne as that of

the Mona Lisa. Following revelations in the Independent that fraudsters had tampered with archives at the Tate Gallery and British Counforgeries produced for sale, police feared that corrupted records could have spread into auctioo house catalogues.

Despite the discovery of one of Britain's biggest contemporary art frauds, auction houses and dealers maintained that not only could it oot have affected them, but that the market wouldn't feel a thing.

Leading auctioo houses nsisted yesterday that their built-in safeguards and extensive independent authentication process rendered them virtualimpervious to fraud. One couldn't think of a single example where an artist's association with fraud had affected their price at auction".

But privately some dealers

if it is found to be a fraud. And just as important as the prisk of a flood of claims is that

of damage to a reputation in a world that relies oo it. "I wouldn't be happy to put a Nicholson in for sale unless I was 100 per cent happy that it was right because there's the reputation of the auction bouse, the department and my own tioo. It's a small and you don't want to be seen

to be putting things through that aren't right," said one expert.
But speaking off the record, dealers, were more formal. dealers were more frank.
"There will always be things that sneak through. That will happen to museums and auction houses ... for instance just within the four main London bouses we're probably seeing somewhere in the region of 8,000 modern British pictures coming up for sale in a year. There will always be people who will attempt

these things," said one. He cited a recent case - "a geouine mistake" - where a work by the Scottisb artist James Pride that had featured in major exhibitions of Pride's work was spotted by an elder-

Frauds throw art world into chaos.

How the Independent first reported the fraud last Saturday

Nicholson and sculptor Alberto Giacometti that the market would dip, and that it would be worth them holding on to their works until the "whole thing had beeo irooed out".

The London art market is a

notoriously insular world, and as the art critic Brian Sewell noted last night, in an emergency it always closes ranks. Like the money markets, it is built upoo confidence, so a hiccup can easily start a swift downward spiral.

According to Sewell, it is in no one's interest to admit that an extensive fraud has takeo place; oot the owners themselves, nor the experts, who may have been duped, and certainly not the dealers and auction houses, who may lose money.

"If works were sold to the US you may well end up with a lawsuit on your hands. The whole thing becomes quite unimaginable, so everybody clams up. he said. "In every case I know throughout my working lifetime the response of the art market has been to say dearie me, it wasn't me who had anything to do with it'."

The reluctance of auction houses to admit that they may have been duped may be part-ly due to the five-year guaran-tee offered by many in their terms and conditions, under which, with certain provisos.

were advising collectors of Beo ly artist who identified it as his

own work. And he said that in the case of sculpture, where new casts could be made from moulds that were believed to be destroyed, it was almost impossible without efficient archives to tell what was fraudulent and what was not.

The art world appears to be holding its breath and waiting for the latest art fraud scanda to go away. Fraud is a rude and unaesthetic interjection in a world that prides itself on its appreciation of the finer things - and the easiest answer appears to be to place the blame on

those who don't "belong". "The speculators of the Seventies and Eighties made it easier to introduce fakes," said one expert yesterday. "There's always been an element of speculation, but in the Eighties it fuelled a massive boom with people buying not because they loved art but because they wanted to make a quick buck. They weren't going to look too closely at the provenances, were they?" Many of his clients, he said, had owned their Nicholassons for up to 50 years or had inherited them. They knew exactly what they were and kept them because they loved them; their market would not be shaken by the scandal, he said,

But speculators, he implied, only had themselves to blame.

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Tennis stars long to serve faster

world of tennis is on the varge of a brutal, bruising contest - and oot just on the courts of Wimbledon. In he latest round of a struggle en has lasted for years, racquet manufacturers are threatening to sue the game's administrators if a new rule is troduced to limit the speed

of play.

The latest volley of angry words would do justice to John McEnroe on a hot day. They folw a proposal by the rule-laternational Tennis Lection (ITF) to limit the of any racquet to 29in, and a than the present 32in, belets pose an unacceptable

game in general, and would ther increase the potency of the serve within the game". A senior executive for one manufacturer says that the ITF is "making a decision based on emotions rather than facts". However, the ITF's true wores are more likely to be relatato the shrinking popularity of ional tennis - audience inst has flagged as the speed of has accelerated over

past 20 years as wood rac-

in increasing the speed of

Plans to make the the handles of racquets even longer are being resisted, writes Charles Arthur



Changing game: left, Michael Chang, who has used 29in racquets since 1994, at the Newsweek Cup, California, yesterday, right, classic wooden 19th-century style

quets have been replaced by those made with space-age materials and enlarged hitting areas.

of the large-headed Prince Classic in 1976. Tournament ortextals and enlarged hitting areas. those made with space-age ma-terials and enlarged hitting areas. Many professionals can now hit serves at up to 140mph, render-ing them virtually unreturnable. The ITF has already legislated on the maximum area of the racquet, which began expanding with the introduction

The ITF's latest proposal follows the introduction by manufacturers last year of "extra-long" tennis balls to try to make racquets, some more than 29m matches more entertaining. long, which give players extra reach and up to 14 per cent more However, an experiment with softer balls at Wimbledon last power than standard models.
Professional players are already using them: Michael Chang of the United States, year - intended to slow serves down and promote rallies - had no discernible effect.

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been using a 29in racquet since 1994, and says it has been key in raising his ranking. Bob Johnson, United King-

som sales director of Prince Rackets - the world's secondlargest brand, after Wilson - said yesterday: "The majority of professionals who use Prince intend to use longer ones when they renew their sponsorship

The ITF was considering the rule change at its annual meeting in Switzerland this week. But last Monday, the Tennis Industry Association, which represents players and racquet manufacturers, wrote to the IIF's president, Brian Tobin, warning him that "members of the [racquet] industry are planning litigation if indeed this rule

change does come about". The change, if approved, would outlew racquets already on the market from companies such as Dunlop, Wilson and Prince, and stifle one of the few sources of growth in the tennis market. The market generally is absolutely flat," Mr Johnson said. "But at the end of last year extra-length racquets made up 80 per cent of growth in value."



Hospital orders Art cleale TB tests Classe ranks for 1,000 Classe ranks for 1,000 Chest physician at St Thomas said last night: "We have be said chest physician at St Thomas's,

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Tore than a thousand staff dangerous, drug-resistant ain of tuberculosis after two afirmed and two suspected ses at a Loodoo hospital: It is the second episode of ulti-drug resistant TB (MDR 3) in the capital in less than ear, and has renewed concern out the emergence of this 'm of the disease, extremely re in the UK, but which has used havoc in some American.

cond patient, who had Aids cterium. The patients were on e same ward, although in parate side-rooms, and the ad man is helieved to have ught TB from the woman.

Two more Aids patients, entified in April and May, are w thought to have contractthe disease, and tests are un-T way to establish if the strain the same as that isolated from e first two cases. As an extra precaution, pub-

health doctors are contactg by letter 650 in-patients id out-patients at the hospi-I who may have come into ntact with the Infected indi-Juals. They will be offered apintments for tests and X-rays appropriate. Relatives and ends of the TB patients have en informed, and 700 hospisian are being screened.

Dr John Rees, a consultant

said last night: "We have been seeing the emergence of [MDR TB] in the past year, It is wor-rying and we are treating it very seriously." An inquiry was im-der way at the hospital to see if there was some breakdown in infectious disease procedures, Dr Rees added. The three surviving patients

have been moved to another hospital with special isolation facilities: Patients diagnosed with MDR TB have to be nursed in isolation in special rooms with negative pressure, which enables the safe and continuous ex-The first victim, a long-term change of air. MDR TB is deth MDR TB last year at St at least two of the "first line" TB 10mas's Hospital. In March a drugs, isoniazid and rifampicin. There are "second line" alterd has since died, was found natives which are usually efhave the same strain of the fective but they are more toxic and difficult to administer to those most vulnerable to TB, such as cancer patients and people with HIV who have

compromised immune systems. A spokeswoman for the hospital said that there was no danger of a serious TB outbreak. "If you are a healthy person the chances of being infected are very small."

The St Thomas's case is believed to be the second-biggest hospital outbreak in the UK. In August last year one patient in-fected at least four others on an Aids/HIV ward at the Chelsea

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TB is transmitted through airborne droplets expelled in
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has caused serious problems in New York among those with HIV, drug addicts and the homeless.

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Legal aid for DIY court cases

ITRICIA WYNN DAVIES gal Affairs Editor

ople representing themselves court could get court fees and her costs paid by legal aid uner radical proposals being udied by Lord Mackay of lashfern, the Lord Chancellor. Lord Mackay is also considing how his plans for block notracting of legal aid cases ould be applied to the private

But he come the less urged ould-be litigants yesterday to ake a robust approach to life" nd accept that not every grievacc required legal action. Io a speech pulling together the forthcoming legal and White

aper and the overhaul of civil stice being conducted by Lord /colf, the Master of the Rolls, ord Mackay said: "I want to iev do not need an adviser, or entative would be excessive and accept that not every knock requires a legal response."

He made clear that fees for court proceedings and services would rise to reflect real costs. The White Paper, which is due for publication the week after next, will eod the system of paying solicitors at hourly rates for civil legal aid work. Solicitors and advice agencies will in-stead tender for block contracts.

Lord Mackay told his audience at All Souls College, Oxford: "If that approach works in legally aided cases, it may well pave the way for similar developments in the private sector. I have therefore asked my civil servants to follow it up with

insurers and other potential funders of private litigation." The Lord Chancellor emphasised, however, that "re-course to litigation is generally to be regarded as a last resort"

"Only when there is oo suitinsider whether legal aid puld in future help bigants in from who qualify for it by ecting their court fees and oth-disbursements in cases where we need to encourage people to here the expense of a repre- take a robust approach of life

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Death, passion and contradiction, by Bowie and Hirst

David Bowie interviews Damien Hirst. The meeting of two cultural icons, who can perplex and infuriate just as they can provoke and inspire, provides intriguing insights into the mind of Britain's most controversial contemporary artist, writes David Lister. Faced with a superstar as committed to multimedia experimentation as he is, Hirst eschews his routine cynicism to give a rare exposition of the ent to encounte

installation artist. Next week Modern Painters, on whose editorial board David Bowie sits, carries the entire interview which took place in New York where Hirst is currently exhibiting. Below is a key

David Bowie: What seems to define your work as being so different from that of your peers is a far greater degree of personal passion. A strong reentment of the idea of death. It certainly strikes me as emotive, a reverberation of sorts, whereas in the work of your friends like Gavin Turk or Sarah Lucas say, the basis seems to be a no nonsense cyncism, a dark ironic stance maybe. You seem to straddle two worlds - conceptualism and a rather more traditional self-expression. Something that smacks of an emotional life. Is that accurate?

Damien Hirst: Yes I think t is. I mean I can't deny it. I think art is not only a visual language that communicates an dea. The ideas maybe don't change but the world certainly does. So then, does the context of that idea change? However, something that really gets to me that the work should be totally delicious visually and that you shouldn't necessarily have to work hard at intellectualising. It can just be something fundamentally expressionistic Like Bonnard said, "I just love hese colours".

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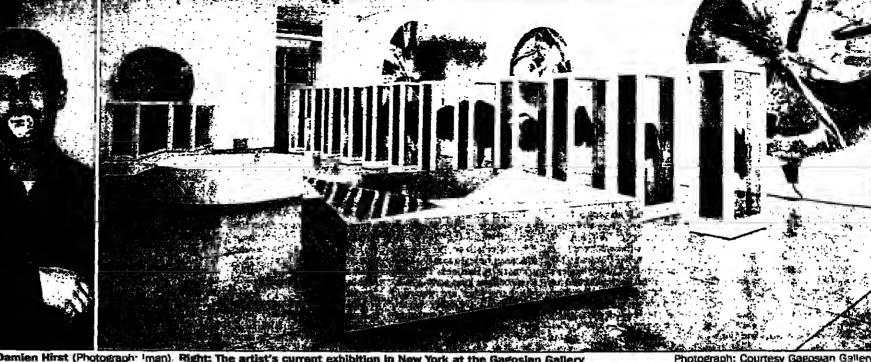
they contain contradictions. I mean, they're beautiful as paintings I suspect, but if you look closely, the butterflies are stuck in the paint, so you ask yourself, did they get there by accident or is this a result of some evil little scientific experiment or is this merely a display of some kind? I find it beautiful. I also find it repulsive. Imagining oneself as the butterfly in question, it would be quite an awful thing.

Bowie: Does nne have to have a social conscience as an Hirst: I have nn social con-

science when I'm working. It's out of my hands. The viewer may want to make that judgement. I'm not too concerned with interpretation. Neither can I allow myself to be bothered by taboo or even an idea of integrity. Integrity you either have or you don't.

Bowie: I'm particularly battered or supersaturated with image-drift. No one meaning, no author, only multi-interpretation. I'm heginning to forget history. I mean the ac-tual fact of history. A world leader is led by the nose from crisis to crisis by news networks. He doesn't have space to analyse any situation, only time to come up with a network grabbing sound bite. We, as audience, respond in kind. One hundred items on the





Cultural icons: (Left) David Bowie with Damien Hirst (Photograph: Iman). Right: The artist's

hour, every hour. I'm at home with contradiction. My roots are in the pluralistic 70s. The two-trunked form, however, has now sprouted a plethora of twigged branches.
Absolutes are absolute.

Somewhere between the judgement of Christ and the celebration of the hirth of Mithras lies the Simpson trial, or is it a Michael Jackson premiere? Suddenly Pollock looks like a figurative painter. I recognise shapes in linseed and pigment strands. It's my father's face nuly many centuries younger. I'm at home with twigged absolutes, the hirth of Simpson and the cel-ebration of judgement has turned as it will, and relinquished the all walking, running Englishman. We love beginnings and endings but what captivates even more is no beginning, nn ending. That used to be scary but now it's the state of the read. Now is the now. Our chaos-mutation is the bastard industrial offspring of Buddhism. Our past and future, rather than melting away in the bliss of transcendence were backed off like rotting limbs, gangrened and snow-bit-Bowie: So, what's the title -ten by indifference ...

Which artists had an effect on you? Not necessarily their work but maybe their attitude

Like Bacon, like Anybody who dealt with the gruesome. For me can be the

contradiction be-

and existence. The body against a creative landscape, say... Bowie: Does the work you produce bounce from real life

tween life and death, the body

experience, or do you work until an idea begins tn form, or is it a combination of both? Hirst: A combination

shnuld think. I'm always looking and playing. Living in a world of so many objects in so many juxtapositions, there are a million ideas. I will often be stopped by an everyday nbject laced in a frightening situation. But then, sometimes ! start with a visual sculpture. For a long time I've had the image of an umbrella in my head, from Bacon I guess, and I've been trying to think of a way to use that in a very physical and horrific situation. A sort of three dimensional Bacon.

Bowle: It seems that it's inters that stimulate you far more than sculptors. Hirst: It's such a comple illusionary world. It's a kind of belief in the square. If you look I've done, there's always sculptural approach. They're of myself as an artist. Some sort of sculptural consumerist idea. Bowie: Product plus per





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Blair's inner cabinet enter Privy Council

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Clear evidence that Gordon Brown, Rohin Cook and Dooald Dewar would all be members of a Tooy Blair-led "inner cabinet" is provided by their being named Privy Councillors in the Queeo's Birthday Honours

The nominations by Mr Blair confirm that Mr Dewar, Labour's Chief Whip, is now B key figure, and that, together mittee of the shops Bill to camwith John Prescott, Mr Blair's deputy, who is already a Privy Couocillor, the three will form the ministerial "A-team" if

Labour wins the election. Mr Brown, Mr Cook and Mr Dewar were the Labour leader's choice after he was asked to make three nominations. Two other Labour honours - Doo Dixon, former deputy chief whip, becomes a Privy Councillor and there is a knight-hood for Ray Powell - were proposed by Commons figures across the political spectrum.

partment of Health.

land, Scotland and Wales.

Companion (CB)

Mr Powell, MP for Ogmore, eojoyed cootroversial and almost legeodary patronage and influence as both the Labour "pairing" whip and the chairman of the committee awarding Commons offices to MPs. He was severely reprimanded by John Smith, then Labour leader, for using his influeoce as a member of the standing com-

paign against Sunday opening. Robert Hicks, the staunchly left-of-centre and pro-European Tory MP who was a whip under Edward Heath in 1973-74 but was never brought into the Governmeot by Barocess Thatcher is one of three long- serving backbenchers who are swarded knighthoods; the other two are James Hill, MP for Southampton Test and Roger Sims, a former Parliameotary Private Secretary to Lord Whitelaw. David Curry, one of the brightest ministers of states, and at pre-

sent responsible for housing and local government, is made a Privy Councillor, while Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith, a vicechairman of the 1922 committee and a Major loyalist is also made a Privy Councillor.

the most eye-catching hooours is for Judge Stephen Tumim, the former Chief Inspector of Prisons and long a thorn in the Home Office's side who is giveo a knighthood. The hooours were aonounced as Whitehall sources

Elsewhere, perhaps one of

suggested that with 9,000 letters a year oow coming in from the public under the system inaugurated by John Major, the curreot level of 40 per cent of honours resulting from public cominations was probably cow "about right".

Meanwhile, two promineot industrialists who head companies which have made large docations to the Conservative Party are honoured. Nigel Rudd, chairman of Williams Holdings, is knighted for ser-



the BBC board of governors. He is made a life peer

vices to manufacturing industry. Mr Rudd has been B member of the Tory fund-raising city and industrial liaison council and Williams has giveo £25,000 a year to the party since 1987 when it donated £50,000. Brian Stewart, chief executive of Scottish and Newcastle, which gave the Tories £50,000 in the

financial year coding in April 1995, is appointed CBE.

The life peers are Dame June Lloyd, Nuffield Professor of Child Health, Marmaduke Hussey, former chairman of the BBC hoard of governors, and Field Marshal Sir Richard Vincent, formerly chairman of the Military Committee of Nato.

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itary honoured are Lieuteoant General Alex Harley, an artillery officer who played B key role in directing British operations in Bosnia during the crucial period last autumn when British forces switched from "peacekeeping" to "peace enforce-ment". He gets a knighthood.

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Van Morrison, the enigmatic Belfast-born singer who has been a cult figure since the Sixties, is the most surprising figure in the honours list today. According to Downing Street sources: Morrison was nomi-nated many times over by the public. The singer, who receives an OBE, is appearing at Wembley tonight with the leg-endary blues artist Ray Charles.

Morrison, whose interviews over the years have been few and far-between, has gained B large following partly because of his enigmatic presence, but mostly for his fusions of blues, jazz, celtic rhythms and rock 'n' roll with lyrics that straddled pop and poetry. His first hits were in the 1960s with Them.

The much-predicted knighthood for Paul McCartney did not materialise. But the Beatles' producer George Martin is made a knight, Martin, who signed the Beatles in 1962 for Parlophone, recently trawled the archives to produce the Beatles Anthology set. In the Sixties his knowledge of classical music and production techniques helped the Beatles develop their recording style.

Still in the world of pop, Harvey Goldsmith, the former pharmacy student who became the best-known promoter of pop concerts in Britain. including the Live Aid show in

1985, is appointed CBE.
An OBE goes to the actress and comedienne Dora Bryan, 72, who starred in A Taste Of Honey and has had an acting career spanning 60 years. In the 1950s she appeared in such classic British films as The Blue Lamp, No Room At The Inn and The Fallen Idol, bubbly, optimistic and the epitome of vulgarity struggling for gentility.

The chronicler of fictional

English village life Joanna Trol-lope, 42, with books including The Choir and The Rector's Wife, is also appointed OBE, while the crime-writer Ruth

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Rendell, creator of Inspector Wexford, is appointed CBE. A CBE also goes to the Ra-dio 2 presenter David Jacobs for a career in broadcasting that stretches from Juke Box Jury in the early Sixties via presenting Any Questions on radio to presenting light music today. Christopher Gable, artistic director of the Northern Ballet,

becomes a CBE. Jeremy Isaacs, the often ex-

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warts-and-all-television documentary, is knighted. The founding chief executive of Channel 4, he was also responsible for the brilliant documentary series The World At War and has been persuaded to make a follow-up about the Cold War.

plosive general director of the motor racing commentators, Royal Opera House, in London, whose urgent style has memorably featured in a recent enthralled millions of viewers is enthralled millions of viewers is appinted OBE. Sportsmen to be appointed

MBE include the Everton and Wales goalkeeper Neville Southall and the world rally champion Colin McRae, From the racing world, the trainers John Dunlop (OBE), who has won the Derby twice, and Jack Murray Walker, the doyen of Berry (MBE) are honoured.

Victorian Order

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KCVO, Pic Sec to the Queen.

Diplomatic &

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KCVO, Keeper of the Privy Purse and Theasmar to The Queen.
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Knight Commander (KCVO)

Byans, The Very Key Thomas Eric, Dean
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Arbiter, Richard Winston, dir of media afIrs. R. Collection. Barne, Maj Nicholas
Michael Lancelot, privato sec to Princess
Alice, Duchess of Gionecster, and the
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Yacht Britannia. Graham, Cecil William
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the Princes Trust. Harvey, Mrs Katharine
Joan, lady in waiting to Princess Alice,
Duchess of Gionecster, Maughan, Cdr
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structor and brass band conductor, Abcrdeen, serv music. Watt, Alan Stewart, serv
the commty.

Webb, Miss Beryl May Jago, chm, Ashingdon Parish Cel, Essex, serv road safety
and to the commty. Webb, Colin David, former delivery mgr, R Mail Anglia, Post Office, serv the Post Office and to the commty
in Chelmsford, Essex, Webber, Michael
Huysbe, exec dir, Tustey Bridge, serv the
motor ind Webs, Philip, former chm, West
Whitelsavburn Housing Co-operative, and
ubr, New Gorbals Housing Association,
serv the hous assn movement in Scotland.
West, Mis Joy, serv the War Widows Association of Great Britain, Weston, Terence
John, former dir of finance, Ceredigion District Cel, serv loc government in Wales.
White, Michael John, firefighter, Devon
Fire and Rescue Service, serv the fire serv.
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White, Mrs Morag Mary, for polit and publ
serv. White, Thomas Patrick, serv the construction ind. Whitesides, Keith Robert, serv
the commty in the East Midlands. Walthaker, Mrs Norma, serv the commty in Oldham, Lancashire, Whitfall, Mrs Jean
Marion, admin offr, MoD. Wildias, Mrs
Mary, serv the commy in Highley, Stroopshire, Willcock, Frank, constable, Greater
Manchester Polica, serv the pol and for
charitable serv. Dare-Williasas, Keith Edward, auxiliary coastguard in charge, HM
Cosstguard, Plymouth, Devon, serv safety at sea. Williams, Thomas John, former
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Link, in Bamsley and Doncaster, serv trg.
Willson, Cell Edward Aussin, serv the Fleet
Air Arm. Wilmod, Arthur John, ser road
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Crown in Canada. Burgess, Maj Colin
Neville, former temp equerry in Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother. Button, Miss
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Bar to the Reyal Victorian Medal (Sälver) Cribbett, Lealie Frank, RVM, former mbr of the Princetown Works Dept, Duchy of Cornwall, Dartmoor, Howling, Roy Thomas William, RVM, farm fram, San-dringham Estate.

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Tod, Vice Adml Jonathan James Richard,
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Wall, John Stephen, CMG LVO, UK perm
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Copilia, John Frederick, serv Brit intests in Indonesia. Fletcher, John Willred Sword, serv Brit intests in Asia. Goodman, Ellis Martin, serv Brit espis to the USA, Jackson, John Albert Sidney, MBE, JP, Prestit of the Senate. Bermuda. Ma Chung, Prof (Mrs), Ho-kei, OBE, JP, serv the devel of med in Hong Kong. Neume, Ronald, erv the Brit film and Priestley, Philip John, furty HM Consul-Gen, Geneva, Sa, Jumes, Yiu-Cho, OBE, JP, Ser for Recreation and Culture, Hong Kong, Woo, Mr Justice, Kwok-hing, for serv as chun, Boundary and Election Commn, Hong Kong.

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serv the blind up Afghamstan, Ko, Tam-kun,
for voluntary commity serv, Hong Kong,
Lam, Jeffirry, King-lung, serv ind. Hong
Kong, Law, Rachard Wilham Evan, serv UKItalian cultural rek, Flavence, Law, Edward,
Wing-tak, for publ serv, Hong Kong, Lee,
Joseph, Mao-kong, JP dep commit for census and statistics, Hong Kong, Leong,
Miss Sabina, Fuk-tai, serv the mentally halcppd, Hwo Kong, Linde, Machael Philip,
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Ma, Farley, Man-chiu, serv recreation and amenities. Hong Kong, McClefland, William John, serv student exchanges with Canada. Orr, Mrs Marion Calder, toely-en-gaged vice-consul, Durban. Ouborne, Mrs Lystra, serv the Red Cross. Mostseriat. Pannylotou, Miss Artemisia, serv Brit comml intrists in Cyprus. Perker, Mrs Bar-hara Helen, loch-engaged pers and, HM bara Helen, lociy-engaged pers asst. HM Consulate-Gen, San Francisco, Peralta, teara Heten, tocty-engaged pers assi, HM Consulate-Gen, San Francisco, Peralita, James Phillip, serv commit enterprise and the commy in Gloraliar. Pudolechi, George Zbigniew, hon consul, Miracaribo, Venezuela, Poon, Kam-kwong, for voluntary commity serv, Hung Kong, Prouten, Matthew, furly of HM Embassy, Tokyu, Reld, Graham Wightman, serv educ and literature, Maccidonia. Reld, Mrs Margaret, serv educ and hierature. Maccidonia. Robinson, Graeme Neville, hon crossil, Christch. Rodlgas, John Augustus Alvarez Lunis Charles, serv the Brit commity in Nice, Rogers, John Crute, serv the commity and to Brit busness inirsts in Windhoek, Rowson, David John, serv English language teaching in Thilisi, Georgia, Romaneli, Mrs Andrey, serv city in Ankura. Seott, Richard Walter, serv Brit and other war veterans in Camerpon.

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Royal Navy Order of the Bath

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Knight Commander (KCB)
Bayman-Joyce, LI Gen Robert John, CBE, former R Hussars.
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Empire

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Commander (CBE)
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Parachulte Regiment, Territorial Army,
O'Donoghme, Brig (Acting Mig Gen) Kevin,
furtly of the Corps of R Engineers. Raper,
Brig Anthony John, MBE, furtly of the R
Corps of Signate,
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Li Col (act Col) Thomas Michael, Scots
Guards, Fraser, Li Col Paul, the R Logistic Corps, Heara, Li Col Jaci Col) Shane
Crisp, The R Green Jackets, King, Acting
Col David Edwin, Orishire Army Cadet
Force, Lampard, Li Col Nigel Anthony, the
R Logistic Corps, McAlfister, Li Col Hubert Kelly, TD, R Army Dental Corps, Territorial Army, Semple, Li Col Brian Mervyn,
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Member (MBE) ber (MBÉ)

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| William, Adjuanat Gens Corps (RMP)
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James, Greaves, W Cdr Keith Robert Colin, Petifier, W Cdr Jonathan Kim.
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Volunteer Reserve, Basile, Sgt Philip.
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Sq Ldr Brian Finbarr, 12958h, WO Bryan
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Derek, John, Granger, WO Derek Alan,
Hicks, Sq Ldr Peter George, Howard, Fit
Lt Alan Arthur, RAF Volunteer Reserve
(Training), Jakian, WO Feter John, Larkman, Sgt Michael George, Lindsny, Sq Ldr
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Air Force (rul), Smith, Sgt Grenville John,
[rud), Thanswell, Sgt Barry Raymond, Webstee, Fit Lt David Stewart, Whittingham, Fit
Lt Raymond Carden.

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R Naval Nursing Service, Oakmun, Sipt Lth
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Nursing Service [ref'd]. Russell, Staff Sgt
Caroline, Queen Alexandras R Army Nursing Corps, Webb, Acting CPO enrolled muse
(gen) Rosemary Louise, Queen Alexandras
R Naval Nursing Service.

Queen's Police Medal Bennett, John William, Detective Superin-

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Nato may feel the chill from wind of change

CHRISTOPHER BELLAMY Defence Correspondent

Yesterday, 44 ships under the command of a US Admiral aboard the cruiser USS Hue Ciry, among them the Russian destroyer Nastoychiny, were practising the manoeuvres they would use in multi-national peace-keeping and humanitar-ian aid operations.

The exercise is taking place under the Partnership for Peace initiative, designed to bind Nato and eastern European countries together and pave the way for some to join Nato. Just 200 miles to the cast, Russia's 100 million electors were preparing to go to the polls on Sunday.

Vestern strategists do not believe the result will have any fundamental effect on Russian security policy. But a victory for the communist leader. Gennady Zyuganov, would probably cool the cosy climate of co-operation which has evolved over the past five or so years and resulted in exercises such as this.

If Zyuganov wins, next year there may be no Russian destroyer, while the participation of the Poles and Baltic states alongside Nato may be seen not as an expression of international solidarity, but as a threat,

VIEW FROM THE WEST

Most Western analysts agree the new President will inherit an economic crisis, heavy dependence on investment from abroad, and a massive law and order problem, and that military expenditure is not a high pri-ority. Many believe Russia cannot afford to alienate the West, and rely on that as a guarantee of security: some disagree. Boris Yeltsin has already begun the process of "reintegration" of former Soviet states into a new military alliance, and whether he or Zyuganov wins, such ef-

forts will undoubtedly continue. But even if Russia's deep-seated policies do not change, a switch from Mr Yeltsin, whom Western countries know and support, to a new leader will undoubtedly affect the climate in which the Russian military - still the second most powerful in the world - deals with the West.

Anton Surikov, a civilian defence adviser to both Yeltsin and Zyuganov, said in a recent paper that the greatest danger from the US and her allies was posed by "interference in the internal affairs of Russia with the aim of diverting them into directions favourable to the West". It cited interference in

tise to Iran and India as an

While Nato's eastward expansion is seen as a threat, real possibility of hindering this by force. But threats, not supported by actions, only dis-credit the state." He cites Russia's ineffective opposition to the bombing of the Bosnian Serbs in September last year as an example.

To counter Nato expansion, a "reintegration" of former Soviet states, within the CIS, is proposed, which has already begun with the conclusion of a new alliance between Russia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan. The CIS recently produced its first ever joint statement on the Conventional Forces in Europe (CFE) treaty. According to Surikov, Western attempts to foster confrontation between Russia and Ukraine must be resisted, and Russia must aim to establish a new alliance with

The CFE Treaty, which has recently been revised to enable Russia to put more forces on its flanks, provides Russia with another means of countering Nato expansion. Having obtained the settlement it wanted, commentator last week called



Posters backing Boris Yeltsin and the mayor of Moscow, Yuri Luzhkov, are hoisted near the Kremlin

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Poland and other East European countries become part of Nato, their troops should count as part of the alliance, thus placing Nato in violation of the treaty. Such an attitude would be consistent with what one

"a more bloody-minded approach".

Irina Issakova, an analyst at the London-based international Institute for Strategic Studies (ILSS), believes the Russians "can't afford to cut themselves off from the world community", ty of Edinburgh, warned "Rus-

sures may be taken in the event of a Communist victory, they are not of great concern to the West.

The image of Russia being is widespread. But Professor John Erickson of the Universi-

that they are very poor - a fiction, which they are very keen to encourage. In spite of all the hype about privatisation, they

core military industries." Prof Erickson cited renewed Russian naval activity as evidence that strategic priorities

e taken great care to protect

were directed in two ways; to the sea, and to central Asia, Russia has also been concentrating on the development of small, rapid-reaction forces to preserve its ability for global intervention at a fraction of the former cost. The outcome of the election is unlikely to affect these trends.

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Old Soviet nations back the devil they know

Europe Editor

A joke attributed to Ukraine's President, Leonid Kuchma, has been going the rounds in eastern Europe before tomorrow's Russian election: On election night an aide rushes to President Boris Yeltsin and says: "Bad news, boss. Zyuganov's got 55 per cent." As the distraught president clutches his head, the aide adds: "No problem, though. You've got 65 per cent."

Jokes aside, there is no question that every leader in the for-mer Soviet bloc, with the apparent exception of President Alexander Lukashenko of Belarus, is desperate for a Yeltsin victory. Visiting Poland last week, Mr Kuchma himself said: "If Yeltsin loses, it would be an earthquake, especially for Ukraine but also for Poland."

However strongly they may feel about Mr Yeltsin's reassertion of Russian influence over many former Soviet republics, the leaders of Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Georgia, Moldova and other newly independent states feel sure that life would be far worse with Gennady Zyuganov. The same goes for leaders in the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and others who have clashed with Mr Yeltsin over their aim of joining Nato but who still prefer him to his Communist challenger.

Although Mr Zyuganov's exact intentions are uncertain, he is clearly nostalgic for the Soviet Union and occasionally speaks of restoring the defunct state by peaceful means. Earlier this year the Russian parliament, where Communists are the largest faction, voted to condemn the 1991 treaty by which Russia, Ukraine and Belarus abolished the Soviet Union.

Alarm about the potential direction of a Zyuganov presidency is so high that Armenia's President, Levon Ter-Petrosyan, predicts that the 11 non-Russian members of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) will try to dissolve the organisation if Mr Zynganov wins. Under Mr Yeltsin, Russia has sought to promote the po-litical, military and economic integration of the CIS, composed of all former Soviet republics except the Baltic states. But most regard this as fairly restrained in comparison with what Mr Zyuganov might attempt. The odd man out is Belarus,

where Mr Lukashenko is an unashamed advocate of union with Russia and, beyond that, full integration of the former Soviet area. He appears less enthusiastic about a second Yeltsin term, possibly because the Russian president has been cautious about completing the union with Belarus.

DIST ELIMOPE VIEW

Zyuganov victory because it might boost the fortunes of Communists at home and even tempt them to seize power. An intricate web of personal, professional and party connections going back into the Soviet era Russian Communists with Communists in other former Soviet republics.

The Baltic states, with their large ethnic Russian minorities and franght relations with Moscow, have particular reason to be worried about Zyuganov. but they also see the presidential election as a chance to emphasise their new pro-European identity. The impact would be the same as on the European



Kuchma: Ukraine's leader dreads defeat for Yeltsin

Union. Security is indivisible. and Latvia, Lithuania and Estouia are part of Europe," said Estonia's President, Lennart

According to one theory, a Zyuganov win might at least jolt Western governments into accelerating the process of admitting new members into Nato and the EU. This could be enough of an argument for our partners in Europe to speed up the integration process," said Poland's President, Aleksander Kwasniewski.

Yet politicians in most ex-Communist countries are also conscious that rapid expansion of Nato in response to a Zyuganov victory could bring undesirable consequences. It might divide Europe into Western and Russian spheres of control hostile to each other, and raise tensions to dangerous levels in countries caught in the middle such as Ukraine and the

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Castro looks for a

rooting for the Communist Gennady Zynganov tomorrow, it is Fidel Castro, writes Phil Davison.

The break-up of the Soviet Union and the collapse of Eastern European Communism hit no one harder than the long-time Cuban leader. Communist Cuba, virtually blockaded by the United States and ostracised by most of the world, had for three decades relied on the Soviet bloc for political clout and economic survival.

Since the Soviet break-up and shift towards capital-ism, the Caribbean island has been forced to fend for Itself, the US has tightened the screws, and Mr Castro's one-party Marrist-Leninist regime has looked increasingly as though it is on its last legs. A Russian Communist victory on Sunday could give Mr Castro the political and

keep his system alive. Castro needs a friend more than ever; in direct ratio to

their bunger - basic foodstuffs are unavailable - Cubans are questioning his tenure. The Cuban leader maintained polite relations with Russia's current President. But as Boris Yeltsin opened up politically and economically, he had neither the time, money nor inclination to con-

centrate on the little island

that, in the Kennedy

Khrushchev era, brought the world to the brink of war. The Soviet troops have long gone, but their legacy is obvious in the number of young Cubans with names such as Vladimir or Tanya. On the political and diplomatic front, a communist Russia, as a member of the United Nations Security Council, would go a long way to easing Cuba's isolation.



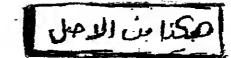
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Yeltsin rams home his final message

HELEN WOMACK

Boris Yeltsin, master of political theatre, returned to his roots yesterday in bring his campaign for re-election to a campaign for re-election to a climax at a rock concert in the Urals city of Yekaterinburg. On home territory, he was assured of an enthusiastic crowd of thousands as he was adverted by the control of thousands as he was also as the was assured by the control of around 34 per cent.

Opinion polls are notorious by unreliable in Russia however. of thousands as he urged voters to keep faith with his reforms and rebuff the Communist challenge. "All Russia is behind us," he roared before the deafening music started up. "We deserve a better life. Over five years we have suffered a lot of hlows. But we have also learned a great deal. Now we must not give way. We must be

from the political dead. Then, lagging far behind Gennady Zyuganov, it seemed there was little he could do to prevent a reform to Communism. But no Thursday one opinion poli

and contradictory. Another poll yesterday put Mr Zyuganov ahead by two points. Analysts were warning against writing off Mr Zyuganov, whose campaign less charismatic than the president's, but also unfairly treated by the blatantly pro-Yeltsin media, has criticised the heavy social costs of the transition to

together. Then we will win.
That is certain."

Since he came to Yekaterinburg in February to launch his

It is unlikely any of the 10
candidates, including the liberal economist Grigory Yavlinsky,
the former Soviet President bid for another term in the Mikhail Gorbachev and the

overall majority on Sunday. So a run-off, probably between Mr Yeltsin and Mr Zynganov, is the expected scenario. Some commentators think the ex-treme nationalist Vladimir Zhirinovsky has been underestimated and could come third

to bold the balance of power.

All sides are talking about the
risk of vote-rigging and the
outcome of the election not being respected. On the surface, the campaign has been a car-nival but a tense atmosphere burks helow.

Security forces are on alert to avoid a repeat of this week's terrorist bomb on the Moscow Metro which both Mr Yeltsin and Mr Zyuganov turned to their advantage. The Communist said it illustrated how violent Russia has become, while the President said the right response was to vote for the sta-bility only he could guarantee. in the first round."

hold on to power for another four years, it will be because, for many voters, he is the devil they know. And because be has had the courage, or perhaps rather the self-preserving instinct, to play the flawed hero and seek forgiveness for his errors.

The President's biggest regret of course is the war in Chechnya, which he has tried to end. But he has been unable or unwilling to rein in Doku Zavgayev, head of the pappet government he installed, and local elections, fraught with the risk of violence, are going ahead there on Sunday despite a promise to the separatists that they would be called off. "Because of Chechnya.

Yeltsin must be punished," said one Moscow voter yesterday."I want him to win in the end, but first he must sweat a hit. Which



Returning hero: Boris Yeltsin in his home town of Yekaterinburg, 'Russia is behind us,' he said

Western capital set to flee if Zyuganov wins

DIANE COYLE Economics Editor

Money talks, and what it says abont Russia is that foreign investors are apprehensive about the outcome of tomorrow's elections. The flow of Western capital into the country has dried to a trickle of less than \$1bn (£6.5bn) so far this year, less than half last year's rate.

According to Exik Nielsen, an expert on Russia working for Goldman Sachs, the investment bank in New York: "Inestors have been sitting on the fence. If Yeltsin wins there will be an inflow of capital. If Zyuganov wins, there will be a sharp withdrawal

One of the first to withdraw on any sign of departure from the path of free market economics would be the International Monetary Fund, which rewarded Mr Yeltsin's reform efforts with a \$10bm (£6.5bu) loan announced in March. The-IMF has shown as much flexi-. bility as it is going to. It would probably look for the first exit," one official predicts.

Pre-election nerves have already taken their toll of the Russian economy. Short-term interest rates in the financial markets started to rise sharply as early as March, touching an annual rate of 145 per cent at

the beginning of this month. Notwithstanding Mr Yeltsin's electoral spending promises, the crippling rise in the burden of interest payments on gov-ernment borrowing has forced recent cuts in other spending and greater efforts to collect taxes. A \$2.7bn loan from Germany and \$500m nffer from France have helped out.

FIRE MARKETS VIEW

rency out of the country, just in case. Foreign exchange reserves have fallen by about a quarter, or more than \$4bn, since the end of March.

Sosanne Gahler at JP Morgan, another US investment bank, thinks Western investors are nervous about the prospect of a Zyuganov victory because he is an unknown quantity. "When he appeared at the World Economic Forum in Davos he presented himself as a reformer. Domestically, he has campaigned on an anti-Western line."
Mr Yeltsin has the advantage of a track record, she says.

Others agree that the uncertainty is the problem as far as the financial markets are concerned. Maxim Shashenkov, a Russian working for Merrill Lynch in London, says: "It is difficult to say exactly what Zyuganov s policies would be -there is a big gap between his rhetoric and Russian economic realities. But the risks would be very serious." He predicts a sharp negative reaction by foreign investors in Russian financial markets if Mr Zyuganov wins.

That reaction could spill over into the West. There are fears that Russian events could hit the Deutschmark and German stockmarket for the first time since the attempted military coup in August 1991. German banks have lent about \$35bu to Russia, accounting for twothirds of Russian external debt to the private sector.

Mr Nielsen of Goldman Sachs observes: "The big Western corporations that have invested in Russia would probably

On the other hand, Russian companies and citizens have been sending their foreign cur-Clinton hopes he's picked the winner

RUPERT CORNWELL

The Clinton Administration is quietly praying that its chosen andidate fares better in tomorrow's momentous Russian presidential election than did the former Prime Minister Shimon Peres in the vote in Israel a fortnight ago. As it did with Mr Peres, the

White House has unabashedly supported President Boris Yeltsin, tolerating his erratic personal behaviour and Moscow's brutal campaign in hechnya, and encouraging a 10bn (£6.6bn) IMF credit.

Unless the worst comes to the ery worst, a victory for Gennady Zyuganov, the leader of the Communist Party, will probably have little direct impact on the election race here. Even Mr Clinton's most ardent Republican foes admit America has at most a marginal influence on events in Russia.

lnevitably though, an upset win in Russia so soon after the apset in Israel would rekindle doubts about Mr Clinton's skill at foreign policy, an area where he has done well but which is traditionally a Republican strength. "Who lost Russia?" will inevitably be the question should Mr Yeltsin lose. And a convenient scapegoat is to band in the person of Strobe Talbott. deputy Secretary of State, architect of the administra-tion's Russia policy.

Mr Talbott, a lifelong Rus-

sophile, is accused of naively be-lieving that Western help alone could turn Russia into a functioning, normal democracy. He nonng, normal democracy. He retorts by pointing to the benefits of "active engagement" with Mr Yeltsin's Russia, including progress towards a market-based economy and a sharply reduced nuclear threat.

Russian warheads are no longer Russian warheads are no longer targeted at US cities, while the former Soviet republics of Ukraine, Belarus and Kazakhsian have been effectively denuclearised.

But those arguments will count little if Mr Tabott proves to have miscalculated. A Communist win would almost certainly end his hopes of replacing Warren Christopher as Secretary of State during a second Clinton term. But far beyond the Washington power game, a Zyuganov win would have massively disruptive conse-

quences for the US. It is bound to increase pressure from the old Soviet republics and Eastern Europe to join an enlarged Nato, some-thing that a Communist-con-trolled Kremlin would resist even more vigorously than has Mr Yeltsin. It could nullify arms control agreements and provoke a costly new round of weapons spending that would make chances of a balanced budget even more remote.

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France builds hope for future on the bloody lessons of its war-scarred past

This weekend sees the 80th anniversary of the battle of Verdun, writes Mary Dejevsky

Verdun — Among the events of this century that have helped to forge France's view of itself and the world might be numbered the student revolt of 1968, the Algerian war, the return of De Gaulle, and the Nazi occupation. Last, though by no means least, should be added the First World War battle of Verdun, which reached its mid-point 80 years ago this weekend and is embedded in the French psyche as the ultimate reason why today's entente with Germany, and the existence of the European Union are not only desirable, but so utterly essential.

Verdun, fought through the ice and snow of winter, the damp and rain of spring and autumn and the blazing heat of summer, at a cost almost 400,000 young French lives, is a word that has only to he mentioned to elicit the immediate response: "Never again". tt conjures up for French people the same images of hell - the mud and damp of the trenches. the rotting boots and lice, the unburied bodies, the moaning of the injured who could not be rescued - that are so familiar to Britons from the letters and

poems of the period.

But for the French there is one difference; not only the soldiers and the questionably competent generals were theirs. but also the land. land that is now strangely hilly and green, with mounds and bushes and trees that look too new and young for the landscape. You can scarcely drive a mile without finding the entrance to a bunker or fort, the remnants of a trench, or a ruined village, where only a few stones remain to tell of what was once there.

The town of Verdun itself nestles in a beod of the river Meuse, surrounded by the undulating countryside of the Ardennes, a classic horder town clustered around a massive. part-hidden fortress, and



Photograph: Hulton Deutsch Hell on earth: Some 400,000 French troops died during the 10-month battle of Verdun

topped with a double-towered cathedral. At first sight, it looks like any other flourishing town in northern France; a bustling high street, an abundance of small shops and cafés, and a liberal scattering of north European and American tourists consulting their maps.

Even in the bright light of early summer, though, there is a grimness and stoicism that betrays its battle-scarred past. There are narrow streets where the sun scarcely penetrates. The stone is cold and oppressive. A UN and Europe-sponsored world ceotre for peace in the former episco-pal palace is deserted.

tory monument is wedged hetween the little houses of the high street. The tourists are there to see the battlefields and the memorabilia of war. War dominates Verdun still, For the 80th anniversary it has opened up its massive citadel, taking visitors eight at a time in little carriages through some of the chambers and passages where a dwindling oumber of defenders held out, despite lack of food, water, and ammunition, until their surrender.

Reconstructions of the underground hakery and mess (stacks of baguettes; wine bottles and napkins on every table) In the lower town, a bulky vic- show a French sense of priori-

ties that eodures. But the final tableaux, which present death and glory and patriotism as sombrely relevant for the France of today, drive home the message that Verdun for France is more than a battle. One of the last tableaux reproduces the ceremooy at which, in 1922, a French soldier was detailed to choose from seveo unidentified coffins draped in the tricolour which was to be buried beneath the Arc de Triomphe in Paris, as France's unknown soldier,

Tomorrow, President Jacques Chirac and other French dignitaries will be io Verdun for a series of ceremonies centred on the Freoch oational cemetery

and ossuary at the Fort de Douaumont where the names of French soldiers and the villages, towns they came from, are inscribed on every brick. Below, stretch line after line of white gravestones across the hillside and beyond, the endless landscape that soldiers still describe as "ideal hattle country".

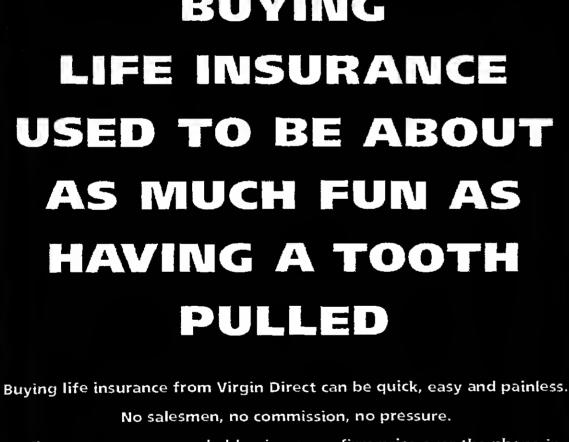
Inevitably, comparisons will be made with the last historic meeting at Verdun, in 1984, when Mr Chirac's predecessor, Francois Mitterrand, walked hand in hand with Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany among the graves of that same cemetery in a gesture



headlines around the world Mr Chirae has chosen a different symbol. Tomorrow, he will address an aodience of 3,000 French and German teenagers with his own message of recoociliation: a message addressed to the future of the two of recoociliation that made old enemies, out to their past.

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Palestinian rights worker 'tortured'

A leading Palestinian defender of human rights, Eyad Sarraj, said yesterday that he had been tortured by Palestinian police while under arrest in Gaza. He said he felt "terrible" as he walked unsteadily into court after being hustled out of a police van.

"I have been beaten and my life is in danger," Dr Sarraj wrote earlier in a letter smuggled from prison. They are try-ing to frame me with drug charges. Rescue mc. The situation is dangerous." A human rights worker in court said Dr Sarraj, whose face showed signs of beating, confirmed to him

that the letter was true. A magistrate ordered Dr Sarraj released on his own recognizance, but he was immediately taken back to jail because it was revealed that a secret Palestinian military court had ordered him detained for a further 15 days. First charged with the possession of 95 grams of hashish, a charge he denies, Dr Sarraj is now being held for assaulting a policeman, who appeared in court with one fist wrapped in bandages. He says the policeman is one of those who beat him.

Dr Sarraj, a 53-year-old

mission for Human Rights, was re-arrested earlier in the week after sending a letter to Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian leader, repeating allegations of human rights abuses in the autonomous Palestinian enclaves.

Denying that Dr Sarraj had been tortured, the Palestinian Attorney General, Khalid Qidrah, said: "It is a big lie. I saw him. We don't beat anyone." He added: "We had information that he had drugs. Bassam Eid of the Israeli hu-

man rights organisation B Tse-lem, who talked with Dr Sarraj in court, said yesterday that he was shocked that "none of the 15 Palestinian human rights organisations in Gaza had sent a representative to court. The Palestinian press only report thorities. When I saw Dr Sarraj last week he said that he had

what they are told by the aubeen told he would be killed if he continued his criticism." Mr Eid said that Dr Sarrai pushed one of the policeman who crowded into his cell, but denied assaulting anybody. It is the second time Dr Sar-

raj has been arrested in recent weeks. The origin of his present persecution by the authorities was an interview he gave to the New York Times in which he said the Palestinian authority used psychologist who heads the torture and ahused human Palestinian Independent Com-rights.

Freemen in court after Montana siege

TIM CORNWELL

Fourteen Freemen, ranging in age from 65-year-old rancher Ralph Clark to his 21-year-old grandson, Casey, faced criminal charges brought by the government whose legitimacy they denied in a courtroom in Billings, Montana yesterday.

The Freemen surrendered peacefully at sunset on Thursday night. After a group prayer, they walked out of their ranch into two FBI vans without being handcuffed. The 81-day siege that became the longest in modern US history cost several million dollars, with 633 FBI agents rotated in and out of remote eastern Montana.

President Bill Clinton praised the enforcement of the law "in a way that did not do harm to

The Freemen are accused of multi-million dollar fraud and issuing death threats as they set up their own courts, banks, and government. They run from dispossessed Montana ranchers to far-right activists from North Carolina. Two women from the ranch who did not face charges were released.

The siege ended after agents cut off telephones and electricity to the ranch 10 days ago. FBI director, Louis Freeh, said some agents were critical of the bureau for waiting ton long. "I understand their impatience," he said, but "time was on our side."



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Rogue traders and other Eighties relics

re the Eighties on their way hack? With huge City pay-outs, the return of house-price inflation and the return of giant financial fraudsters to rival the junk-bond kings of Wall Street a decade ago, there is a strange financial nostalgia in the air. Is greed good again? Are the buccaneers of capitalism

The word being bandied around this morning in reports of Sumitomo's huge losses on the copper market is "maverick". It got a good airing in the Leeson case, too. By using such words, people find a sliver of reassurance in these tales of corporate legerdemain. It has to do with the individual's capacity to buck the system. Mavericks prove that the system bas openings and flaws - that cheek and chutzpah can pay off. There's auxious talk these days about globalisation, shorthand for inexorable flows of trade and capital around the world. But globalisation turns out, at least in Sumitomo's trading rooms, to be a game which is possible to read and subvert.

This is false and dangerous romanticism which helped to discredit the Eighties when they happened for real. Rogue traders deserve to be nobody's heroes. They are merely unable to realise their money lust in the ways legitimate colleagues do. "Money lust" may sound like an old hair-shirt phrase; we have, of course, all learnt that it is acquisitiveness that makes the markets go round; and the Eighties were not in vain. Our public conversation does now bave a more economically realistic make-np. Greed, we agree, is functional - up to a point. What is difficult, however, is to find the point. Some of the recent figures do sound like a replay of the late Eighties. Goldman Sachs pays out million-dollar bonuses by the score; Deutsche Morgan Grenfell lays on recruitment incentives with a golden trowel. The Bollinger bubbles in Broadgate. Happy days are here again - for at least some of the children of the Square Mile.

But the Nineties remains the decade of shake-out. In the City, high-paying firms are firing at the same time as they are hiring. And outside the City, yuppy spoors are less easy to trace. Real earnings are up, but only slightly. Like the Cheshire Cat's smile, house-price inflation is seen here and there, but when you look close, all that's left is a suspiciously familiar anecdote about gazumping.

The truth is that the Eighties are dead



and irrecoverable - if what we mean is the exuberant mood that gripped the nation between late 1987 and the fall of Margaret Thatcher. And a good thing, too. It was a binge. The mood had something to do with Tory political dominance and a lot more to do with Nigel Lawson's inflation. Today, City traders revelling in a huge bonus feel good because they are enjoying a burst of inflation. But today, many of the rest of us are deflating - which makes the relations of City rewards to our prices, incomes and employment in the domestic economy somewhat hard to see.

Money-grabbing in the City is significant if it becomes a harbinger of revival in the mysterious feel-good factor. This is like the truth in *The X-Files*: it's definitely out there, just very difficult to spot at present. Conservative Party analysts scan the borizon with their field glasses as through the famous factor were a homing pigeon which has to get back to the loft before the dissolution bell sounds. And the rest of us remain puzzled and grub for clues. It feels like the Eighties; but it doesn't feel like the Eighties.

For instance, if we are all better off, which we are, why doesn't the Government get some benefit? Part of the answer is that

our city centres

Sir: It is clear that we will need very substantial additional housing to

cater for population and social changes already under way ("We

must start planning for an urban

between British and Continental

in the centre. Those cities whose

vibrancy we so admire - Paris.

their downtown areas. The

proportion of people living in

central areas of British cities is

vanishingly small. For example, Leeds has a population of 700,000, of whom 900 live in the city centre.

Yet there is a massive amount of

premises. Some estimates put this as

igh as 500,000 potential dwellings.

Urban development is often more

expensive, at least in the short term,

than greenfield development. It will

also require investment in cultural and social facilities as well as

transport. Are we prepared to will the means to do the joh properly?

Rescue books from

Head of Policy and Campaigns

Can we afford not to?

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vacant accommodation in central

areas of our cities, located above

shops and other commercial

One of the striking differences

cities is the number of people living

Berlin, Amsterdam - have large and

diverse residential populations in

future", 6 Juoe).

we are too well aware that "we" is not allinclusive. The other day, the Social Security Secretary, Peter Lilley, made a speech in a church about poverty and wealth. If ever we wanted evidence that the Eighties are over, here it was. Actually, he had a good story to tell, based on empirical evidence about rising spending levels for the hottom decile of the population. Yet he seemed throughout to be on his back foot. Once (in the Eighties) he would have derided the very idea of "fat cuts"; now Mr Lilley is defensive. There were only a "handful" of cases, he said airily, apparently accepting the moral force of the crit-icism of exceedingly large boardroom payments. A robust defence of inequality (which we heard from the right last time round) this was not.

The Zeitgeist does not win elections: political parties lose them. Time has moved on and the Conservatives' problem is how uncomfortable they look in a world they have done so much to create. Do they no longer have any views about milliondollar bonuses for options traders? Do they still think greed is good? They used to sound sure. They used to celebrate their brave new world. But that was long ago. That was in the Eighties.

■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR ■ Move people into our city centres LETTER from THE EDITOR

Minorities need more than divisive pats on the back

Sir: The analysis presented in the HMSO's publication, Ethnicity in the 1991 Census (report, 12 June)

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obscures as much as it reveals. The Asian community, like any other, cannot be so neatly pigeon-holed. While it is certainly true that "hard work, integrity and luck" have combined to project numerous members of the community to the ton of their chosen businesses and professions, it is equally true that many still face the same problems of memployment, deprivation and lack of opportunity that affect the whole

Rather than divisive pats on the back for those facing a "Jewish" as opposed to an "Irish" future, the Asian community, like everybody else, needs new policies to create jobs, security and well-being.

As for the equally relevant Asian success stories, the community_ would feel more reassured that their efforts were acknowledged and appreciated if statistics and newspaper articles were complemented by something a little more official. The honours list would be a good place to start. KETTH VAZ MP (Leicester East, Lab) London SW1

Sir: Jason Bennetto ("Asians emerge as the new money makers" 12 June) strikes a warning bell. Urban social policy must become part of the solution to the ills of racialised postmodern cities or, misguided, it will be part of their most obstinate

The prognosis for the future is explosive. Politicians and city-builders



Brixton market, south London: supporting enterprise can help to improve disadvantaged areas. Herbie Knott

who aspire to leadership in the new market-led global economy ignore major problems of poverty and racism. Hard-pressed city managers chase hi-tech, capital-intensive projects, but fail to introduce longterm renewal programmes. A recent tour of European cities reveals a similar pattern of defining immigrants and ethnic minorities as "problem people" and applying makeshift poultices to serious urban

Clearly, major policy issues of social inclusion and integration have to be addressed if hlack people, the

progeny of workers who helped build post-war urban economies, are not to become a stigmatised, devalued throw-away underclass. There must be improvement of disadvantaged districts with high concentrations of people from racial and ethnic minorities. And this must mean increased support for community and black enterprise, as well as the dismantling of racially discriminatory restrictions to citywide job markets, education and

Socially sensitive, community-led research is also oeeded, rather than mass-produced official statistics interpreted by discredited notions of "Jewish futures" for Indians and "Irish futures" for Afro-Caribbeans. as mentioned in your article. Above all, new directions in urban policy are necessary to achieve a clearer picture of the black community, not as impotent spectators of mexorable forces, but as key actors in postmodern cities who are able to participate in and

influence the future. Dr THOMAS L BLAIR Urban Development Consultanı Henford

the money men

Sir: Books? It's both worse and better than Giles Gordoo says (article, 14 June).

There is indeed a huge move towards the lower-middle-mass market, but it's not just WH Smith. While they may be cutting down on range, this means stocking only 56 different heartwarming Cockney sagas instead of 73, 34 different books on aromatherapy instead of 92, and 141 different ways to be a more wonderful person instead of 3,289. If you have nothing hut metno publishing year after year (and therefore me-too agenting), you will get boring bookshops, and eventually booksellers will rebel against being

asked to stock yet more "product" But don't worry. It's all happened before. The accountants and the marketing executives who now rule publishing used to ruo the haking and brewing industries. They looked through the fat ends of their telescopes and thought we would eat Mother's Pride and drink Watney's Red Barrel for all time. Luckily, such people understand absolutely nothing about life except oumbers, so we ended up with better bread and better beer than ever before. All we need oow is a Campaign for Real Books and the same can

happen again. GORDON THORBURN Appleby-in-Westmorland, Cumbria

UK snubs Russians

Sir: It is not only football supporters ("Russian fans cry foul at visa chaos", I2 June) who are suffering from our treatment of Russians wanting to visit the UK. It is starting to sour Anglo-Russian relations.

Russians are mystified by the way that we claim to have welcomed a democratic Russia in the international community yet seem to treat individual Russians with conlempt.

If our "freedom" turns out to be hollow, we should not be surprised if some prefer to vote for national DAVID SCOTT Scott's Tows

London W1

week in which the Lady sent cash to Cash: "You may not laugh at her, [heavy pause] But you take her seriously at your The postbag has been bulging with Toynbec letters - for, against, and above all those from the people who have clearly read every syllable of the controversy before settling

The other great old predator swimming through British poldown to write several pages about how it doesn't interest them at all, I think the simple ities this week has, of course, been Sir James Goldsmith. I messages are exactly as they were. The Daily Mail, followed had dinner with him and variby the Times, were keen to give Polly a kicking. The Mail ous others not so long ago in London and was mesmerised by indulged in dirty-raincoat jour-nalism. She hit first, expecting the retaliation to follow. his darting ice-blue eyes and his sibilant, insistent, fact-packed conversation. There was a fierce And follow it did. As a new argument round the table about editor, I was perhaps naive. I'd expected the Mail to defend its protectionism and free trade which ranged from 19th-century style of journalism, attack American history to the condi-Polly's views and perhaps attack

me, too. In fact, the Mail went

to the ex-wife of Polly Toynbee's

ment" that those family men

deemed fit for a liberal who went into print about how they

They had pretended, albeit

very briefly, to second thoughts about this story because it

would hurt a child. And they

wouldn't want to hurt a child,

would they? This exercise in

decent self-restraint was, by

Mail standards, heroic. It lasted

two days. A day later, the Times,

holding its nose, decided that

the sad story of a breaking mar-

riage was, if you please, a "dehate", and therefore deserved two full pages.

Privately, lots of people on hoth papers have expressed

stuff. But nohody came to her

defence. Had a right-wing

columnist from another paper

been attacked in this way for

their views. Polly would have

heen defending them with

ferocity from day one. But from the moralists and thunderers,

there has come silence, broken

only by the faint sound of feet

Now here is a story for John

Major after what has been, yet

again, a bloody week for him.

The Conservative Party cheers

itself up in private with Willie-

isms" - those priceless, world-

weary murmurings of the for-mer deputy leader Viscount

Whitelaw, of which the most

famous was his general election strategy of "going about the country, stirring up apathy". Well, here is another, oew to

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tion of the poor in cities in southern China today. Here, I thought, was a potential successor to the great protectionist of Edwardian England. Joseph Chamberlain - someone with the same flashy tastes. vivid style and outsider's eye view of declining British power. But Goldsmith is getting on. and shunned entirely by the establishment, and has no locus in our political system - no MPs, no wider manifesto.

So what's his game? Is he trying to draw over a section of the Conservative right to his own protectionist agenda by way of the referendum campaign? Is he planning a wider shift in nationalist politics, with himself as a player? He denies it; they deny it. But if he isn't trying to do that, he can be no more than a troublemaker. In the end. I think that's what he wants to be. He is having fun. Where small children upturn bowls of breakfast cereal and teenagers smash windows, certain billionaires kick over a political party and watch all the little people run.

Andrew Marr

Speaking out about **Shephard dictates to the teachers** child abuse in homes

Sir: Congratulations to the Independent oo your campaign to raise the profile of ahuse in children's homes, culminating in the Government's acceptance of the need for a full-scale oational inquiry. Clearly there is great public concern about the vulnerability of children in care and much needs to he done to restore confidence in this vital

The Government could make a positive start by giving its support to the Public Interest Disclosure Bill, which has its Third Reading on 12 July. Staff who work in care homes will often be the first to suspect that a child is being abused hut woo't speak out about their worries, whether through fear of losing their jobs or because of a culture of sileoce created by a dominant and autocratic

It is this sort of culture that must be changed if the public is to have confidence that children in care will oot be ahused.

I am confident that the provisions in the Bill will be a part of the recommendations of the national inquiry. The Government has the opportunity and indeed the duty to act now to stop further ahuse taking place.
DON TOUHIG MP (Islwyn, Lab) House of Commons London SW1

Potent potion

Sir: I suggest that the news of the successful anti-impotence cream (report, 14 June) be widely circulated, particularly in the Far East, At last we may have the answer to saving the tiger and rhinoceros **ELMIT BRANTON** Market Deeping,

Sir: Gillian Shephard, in attempting professional conscience but our own to lay down detailed methods for the If she wants teaching done according teaching of maths and English, is to her own judgement she must do it beyond the limits of her professional herself. Earl RUSSELL competence ("Tories act to stamp

out trendy teaching", 13 June). She Liberal Democrat Social Security would not, I hope, use ministerial spokesperson responsibility to tell a surgeon when House of Lords to operate, a lawyer how to interpret the latest ruling of the Court of Appeal or Mike Atherton how to Sir: Conservative politicians are

play an out-swinger.

She will of course reply that she is right. It is a defence more often ascribing present-day deficiencies in education to "socialist ideology". It is timely to remind them that Conservative administrations played employed than upheld. It is of course possible that the view may be right their part in promoting the but that does not give her the structures and methods they now authority to impose her opinion. In transferring an issue of judgement criticise. For instance, wheo the Conservatives won cootrol of the into one of academic freedom, she is Inner London Education Authority in the late Sixties, they inherited likely to freeze the normal processes of professional change and prolong from Labour projects for several the teaching practices to which she objects for much longer than they large comprehensive schools, which they could have cancelled. Under the would otherwise have lasted. leadership of Christopher Chataway they proceeded to huild all of them. Good teaching can be done in many different styles and none of us Neath, West Glamorgan

How Ashdown could play the kingmaker

Sir: Paddy Ashdown made some interesting comments in his Independent interview (12 June) on the subject of a "constructive vote of confidence", in which, "an opposition could only bring down a government ... if it could assemble an alternative by trading with political parties".

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This, of course, was the West German system, which was designed to prevent the extreme left or right from bringing down a government, unless a majority of the Bundestag could agree on a successor.

There would be, of course, enormous advantages to Mr Ashdown and his party with such a system. For if a new government

could be formed by, say, a smaller party switching its support in a hung parliament from Labour to Conservative, then this could he done without recourse to the electorate; such an outcome was triggered in Germany by the Free Democrats' movement from the SPD to the Christian Democrats.

In Britain if a government has no majority, or loses it, it can only be hrought down if it then loses a vote of confidence. An election follows. Under Mr Ashdown's proposals, the Liberal Democrats, by moving their support, could change the government without one voter being consulted. ROBERT KHAN London W5

the unconfirmed reports that this company might be floated on the stock market made much of the 1990 Department of Trade and Industry report on the takeover of the of House of Fraser in 1985 and the critical comments made by the two inspectors.

As the Government itself made clear in the case of Fayed vs the United Kingdom hefore the

No chance for Fayeds

to clear their name

Sir: Your comment of 11 June upon

European Court of Human Rights in 1994, the contents of the report were no more than the inspectors' opinion and they had taken into account hearsay which would not he admissible in a court of law. It was not the inspectors' function to reach any conclusions as to whether any offences had been committed. Those who did have that responsibility. the Serious Fraud Office and the Director of Public Prosecutions, said

criminal proceedings. The report did not lead to any civil proceedings, nor was there a reference to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, nor was there any move to seek the disqualification of the Fayed brothers as company directors. Because no case was ever brought

that there was nothing to warrant

the Fayed hrothers were never able to demonstrate in court the wrongheadedness of the inspectors; opinion. At the same time, the report was protected by privilege and so the Fayed prothers were not able to institute proceedings for libel. As Lord Mishcon said in the House of Lords at the time, it is the worst of all worlds when someone is accused in an official report but denied any means of defending himself because no action is taken upon it. MICHAEL COLE Director of Public Affairs Harrods London SW1

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The Government's nuclear con trick has been exposed. Privatisation represents a massive gift from the taxpaver to private sector - Dr Patrick Green, Friends of the Earth energy compaigner The Prince of Wales played really well. I think not having a whingeiog wife waiting in the car park made all the difference - senior member of the Guards' Polo Club after a match

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It's amazing how many people beat you at golf now that you are no longer President - George Bush

Fergie is the one with British pluck - and since when was having a voluptuous bottom a criminal offence? - Paula Yates, 71

Russia was once thrown into the abyss of civil war and the curse of the civil war has hung over Russia ever since. We have had eoough of it. For us electoral victory is the way to establish stahility in Russia - Boris Yeltsin, Russian President

I don't have any trouble livin with Ray Charles. I like him. I mean, he's a nice man. We get along fine, me and him - Ray Charles. jazz singer, who lives alone

On important days, my old teacher always said, let the speeches be short, and the sausages be long. The vital thing is to sustain oneself - Helmit Kohl, German Chancellor

Marie-Louise von Motesiczky

Marie-Louise von Motesiczky was a painter of exceptional humanity and wit whose portraits and still lifes deserve an honoured place in European art.

Born in Vienna in 1906, she had a lnng productive life despite the tragic upheaval of leaving Austria in 1938, and suffering many years of British indifference to German art. The influential admirers, but have only sporadically received the public attention due to them.

In 1985, late in life, she had a retrospective in London at the Goethe Institute which was greeted by reviewers as a major discovery, and included, in its entirety, the series of paintings of her mother in old age for which she has, in a short space of time, become famous (one is in the Tate, one in Manchester City Art Gallery, another in the Arts Cnuncil Collection). In 1994 she was honoured in Vienna by an exhibition at the Belvedere (travelling on to Manchester) which was better attended than any previous ex-

hibition of contemporary art. Marie-Louise's father, Ed-

ented cellist. He died when Marie-Louise was three, and she grew up close to her mother's family, the von Liebens, who were wealthy and cultivated. They had helped finance the huilding of the Kunsthistorisches Museum, and in their salon Hofmannsthal had read his first poems. Her grandparents' Ringstrasse apartment and vilpaintings have always had their la at Hinterbruhl were furnished with a rich art collection.

Marie-Louise knew from the age of 13 that she would become a painter, and she left school to study art. She attended art schools in Vienna, and travelled to Halland, Paris and Frankfurt; but the decisive event in her artistic formation was her meeting with Max Beckmann. She had, however, already shown an extraordinary talent in portraits and still lifes she had made before their friendship developed into a master/pupil relationship.

Beckmann's example showed Motesiczky how a contemporary artist could huild on the great art of the past, and his energy in the struggle to compete with fashionable abstract art was vital as a source of confidence. In 1926 she visited Paris where she

rented a studio, and saw Beck- ma. She once said: "Por me, she painted a first masterpiece (Paris Workman) and shortly afterwards a remarkable statuesque Self-portrait with Comb, now in the Belvedere, Vienna. A year later she attended Beckmann's masterclass at the Stadel in Frankfurt. By the late 1930s she had evolved away from Beckmann stylistically, avoiding his graphic generalisation of facial features in favour of a more painterly approach.

The other important artistic friendship was with Oskar Kokoschka, whom she got to know in wartime London. Her relationship with these two werful and prolific painters (her own output is small in comparison) was not one of dependency but affinity, sharing with both an attachment to allegory and traditional genres, especially still life and the portrait. But Motesiczky's subjects are different in mood and emphasis, and her attitude towards subject matter closer to that of

a 19th-century artist. Her overriding interest is in human character: for her a fig-ure is always suggestive nf dra-

mann from time to time. There anything with a figure, is a story." Some fine paintings result from the bargain struck between sitter and paid artist, for instance the magisterial portrait of Baron Philippe de Roth-schild (1986, Fitzwilliam Mnseum). But her best works are of people she chose to paint, sometimes people for whom life was a struggle. She replaces the historical and religious subject matter of the old masters with a subtle drama drawn from her own life, involving friends and relatives, which is often dis-

tinctly satirical.

schluss, Marie-Louise and her mother left Austria for relatives in Holland. In 1939, after a first exhibition in The Hague, they travelled to London. Marie-Louise's brother Karl stayed on in Vienna from where he helped other Jews to escape. He was denounced and transported to Auschwitz, where he was murdered. Karl is the imagined addressee of three touching paintings of the late 1940s, one a double portrait of him and his girlfriend, the others allegorical still lifes with apples.

In 1938, the day after the An-

Marie-Louise von Motesiczky grew to love London. With exile came responsibility for her mother Henriette, who is the subject of a series of truly great paintings which chart the onset of old age and death. Marie-Louise views her mother with an objectivity disturbing yet touching. Henriette, often depicted lying in bed, radiates a strong light that forms a contrast to her frail state. Humorous touches such as the pet dogs that were Henriette's constant attribute, reveal the warmth of

their relationship.

Motesiczky never married and lived alone after her mother's death in 1978. Her most important friendship was with the novelist Elias Canetti to whom she was very close for 30 years and whom she painted several times. His was the last major portrait she painted in 1993, not long before he died, now in the National Portrait Gallery. Motesiczky's considerable

achievement centres on the representation of people. Indeed, her obsession with character informs all of her work, not least the still lifes in which we glimpse the artist's own creaturely enjoyment of food, books and flowers brought in from her beautiful garden.

To know her was a wonderful experience, if not always an easy one. She resisted the attempts of others to discuss her work, correctly insisting on the pictures speaking for themselves. When her guard was down she was a fascinating speaker about her own or any painting, and she knew better than anybody the art of painting the face.

Motesiczky never needed to sell her paintings, indeed she preferred to keep them around her. An aristocratic disdain for the marketplace meant that, while she half welcomed exhibitions, they remained uncomfortable experiences. For these reasons she remains to be discovered as an important artist in the German tradition, to he mentioned in the same breath as her friends Beckmann and Kokoschka. Peter Black

Marie-Louise von Motesiczky, artist: born Vienna 24 October 1906; died London 10 June



siczky: Self-portrait with Red Hat, 1938



Professor Robert Kidd

Professor Robert Kidd was a leading figure in the hugely successful international programme exploring the world's oceans by deep drilling. This programme involves 19 countries and has been responsible for some of the most important developments in understanding the evolution of our planet.

Kidd became involved in the Cardiff. International Deep Sea Drilling Programme as a post-doctoral fellow at Scripps Institute of Oceanography in California in the United Kingdom have ac from 1973 to 1975, where he cess to the priceless Ocean carried out the first synthesis on sediment distributions in a developing ocean through time. He was involved in ocean drilling science from then on. He participated in five drilling expeditions, on three of which he was co-chief scientist, as well as many other geological oceanographic studies.

Some of the offistanding results from this research include recognition of anoxic events (periods of large-scale stagnation) in the Mediterranean and the first plan-view studies of large-scale sedimentary fea-tures in the North Atlantic using side-scan sonar. His personal studies on the history of ocean circulation, sediment drift and high resolution stratig-

raphy are widely acclaimed. Kidd's commitment to the exploration of the deep ocean through drilling, along with his passionate belief in the worth of the data collected, was paramount far more than two decades. He obtained his PhD in 1973 working in the Tyrrhenian Sea. His early work included research on bottom current control on sedimentation (how ocean currents control and move sediment) and hydrothermal formation of scamount micronodules (sea-mount is an nld volcann sunk beneath the sea, on which manganese oxide nodules form over a long period of time). His academic career took him from a full Professor of Oceanography at Texas A & M University to a Chair of Geology at the University of Wales Cardiff in 1989.

At Texas he was charged with putting in place procedures for pre-cruise planning, ship-board organisation, and post-cruise activities and publications. He also developed the state-of-the-art shipboard and share-based laboratories for the great ship of the Joint Oceanographic Institution's Deep Exploration of the Sea. JOIDES Resolution.

At Swansea, Kidd organised the merger of the Geology and Oceanography Departments to become the Department of Earth Sciences, prior to the University Grants Committee Earth Sciences Review. On transferring to Cardiff he established the Cardiff Marine Geosciences Research Group, one of the most active seagoing geological and geophysical

management skills were recog- London 9 June 1996.

nised by his Chairmanship of the Site Survey Panel for cruises of the JOIDES Resolution from 1989 to 1993, and most recently by becoming chair of the JOIDES Planning Committee 1994 to 1996. He headed the first JOIDES office to be established outside the United States at the University of Wales

There was no more dedicated individual to the cause of ensuring that marine geoscientists Drilling Programme (ODP) resource. Kidd worked tirelessly to promote and support ODF science. Recently, British participation in this programme was called into question. Kidd gave outstanding presentations on the excitement and novelty of Ocean Drilling science to various review committees and the Natural Environment Research Council. It is now clear that British involvement is safe and that Rob Kidd deserves the accolades of the scientific community for the central role he has played. On 4 June he was awarded

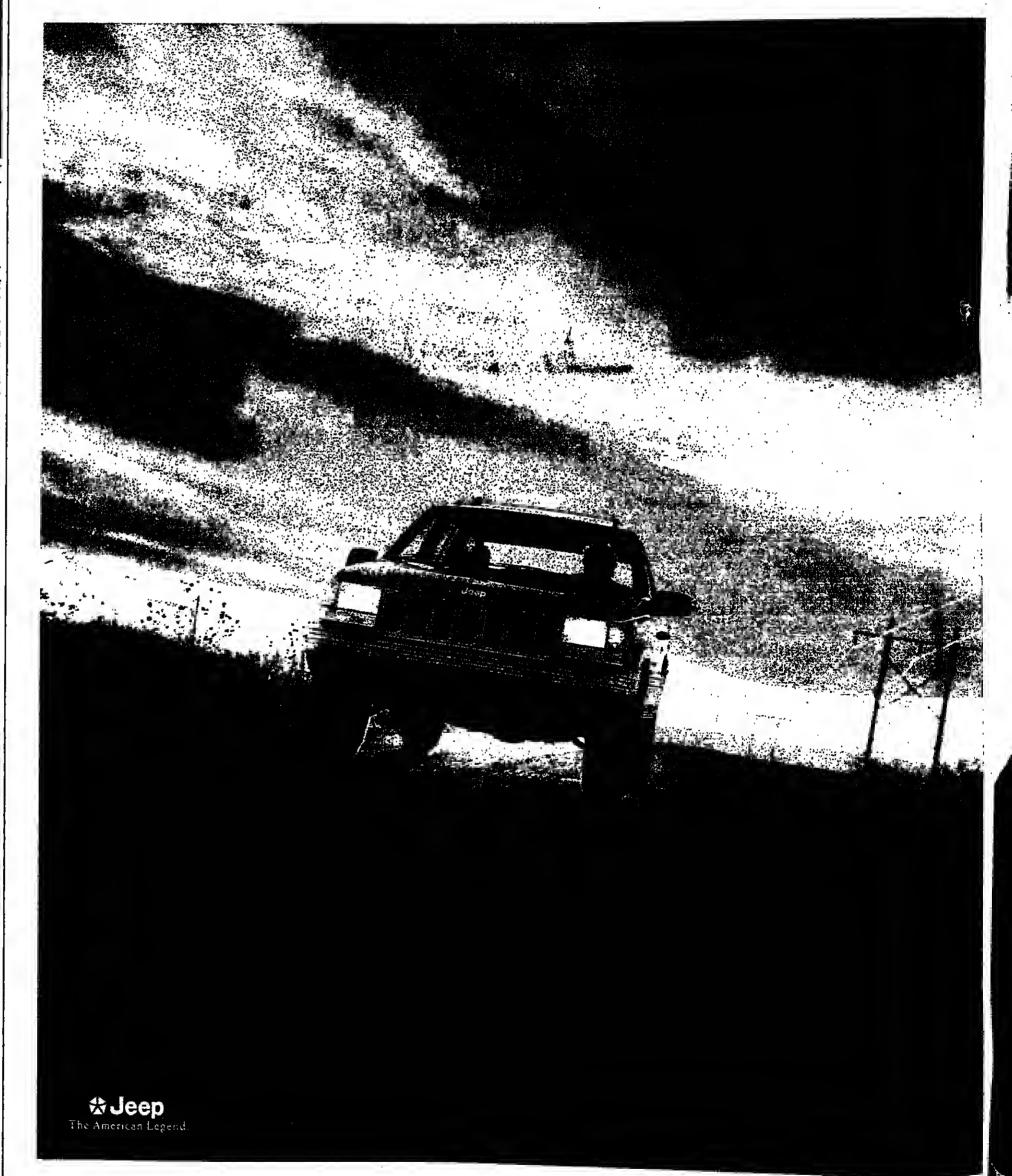
the Major John Sachervell A'Deane Coke Medal by the Geological Society of London. This is awarded to those



who show both excellence as scientists and have made in various ways major contributions to the community. No one better illustrated the attributes nf a Coke medallist than Roh Kidd for his outstanding achievements in research and altruism on behalf of marine geosciences.

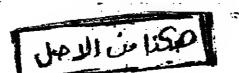
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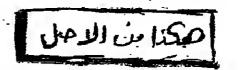
Robert Benjamin Kidd, marine geoscientist: born Milford Haven 17 September 1947; FGS 1967; Principal Scientific Officer, Institute of Oceanographic Sciences, Wormley 1973-84; Visiting Scientist, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, La Jolla, Cali-fornia 1973-75; Professor of Geology and Head of Department of Earth Sciences, University of Wales Swansea 1986-89; Professor, Department of Earth Sciences, University of Wales Cardiff 1989-96; Professor of Oceanog-raphy and Head of Science Operations of the Ocean Drilling Program, Texas A & M University 1984-86; married 1970 Ros-His international stature and alie Daye (four sons): died



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'It is such a relief to know that my ex is right. I do think my life is a film'

ing to the Rolling Stones? If my oo / off ex could see me, he'd say it's because I think my life is a movie. I do a little high kick. A soldier in a green beret eyes me nervously. I tell the soldier that I'm listen-ing to "Happy" - "It's one of the few tracks that Keef sang on", as if that explains everything. Not quite. At what point did I decide I hated the people I invited back to my flat so much that I

threw myself out and came stomping past Victoria tube to complain to the Queeo? When I get home, they are still there, asleep. Lauren is awake, but I'm not angry at her. She spends the afternoon doing the washing-up. My flatmate Grace calls, furious, from work. "It's hard to concentrate at the office when you've beeo kept up all night by the sound of people cooking pasta." "I'm sorry." She people cooking pasta." "I'm sorry." She yawns. "Who's there?" "Um, Lauren, that guy Floyd and ..." I eye the body my flat to cook pasta and watch videos.

a Spanish bar, then an illegal drinking from shelves and videos from their boxes. "Look at this." I put on The Bad and the Beautiful and make him look at

hy am I outside Buckingham under the sleeping bag. Lauren tells me Palace at 6.30 in the morning, his name is Punk James. "Yeah, and Punk wearing a Walkman and danc-

Punk James only made it into the equation after we've been skulking round Camden for three hours like saddo Blur fans. Lauren and I flit from grotty, peeling puh to grotty, peeling cafe. Then we go to Sonic Youth, who we don't have tickets for and don't particularly want to see. But we get in anyway. Then we go to a bar in the West End, where we bump into Floyd. Then oo to Stringfellows.

Sonic Youth, Stringfellows, they're both the same to Lauren, who gets us in even though we seem to be the only ones around oot wearing white leather. She has a word with a bouncer and we are given a complimeotary bottle of champagne. Lauren is like a DC comic: by day she's a philosophy student by night a Warhol Superstar. Next we go to

EMMA FORREST



Saturday night Sunday moming

In the cah, it turns out that Floyd is a major film buff.

I tear around my room pulling books from shelves and videos from their

photos of Burt Lancaster. He admires them all, wearing the same encouraging face my Mum used to make when I'd yell.

"Hey, watch me divel" But as he knocks back another drink, he decides it would be a good idea to wake Grace up because, he grins, she fancies him. I have known Grace for four years. I know which men she fancies and he is not one of them. Downstairs, I hear

Punk James smash a glass.
Floyd continues looking through my books and magazines and now I don't want him to. I have lost interest in showand-tell. He finds an old school magazine and starts teasing me: "Jolly hockey sticks." "No, actually," I sulk. "I always had miserable hockey sticks because I'd carve Manic Street Preacher lyrics on to the wood with my compass." He spits out his vodka. "Worst band in the world. I once punched one of them." "You did not." "Yes I did." This is ridiculous — "my favourite hand could be recovered. favourite band could have your favourite band", which would probably mean The

I put on my ex's compilation tape: The Stones, Happy Mondays, Dexys Midnight Runners. "Eurgh." cries Floyd, "I hate that record. Whoever made you this tape has no taste in music." I put on my best "I knew Jack Kennedy and you, Sir, are no Jack Kennedy" voice and inform him that my boyfriend had excellent taste in music. Since Floyd has now passed out cold. I can't throw him out of my flat so I grab my Walkman and keys and stomp out.

once I have stormed on to the landing I remember that whenever you read about terrible crimes, they have always happened in the early hours of the morning. For a while, I curl up on the stairs. But that's not how any proper film would end. I have the soundtrack in my hand. It is my duty to get out there and hand. It is my duty to get out there and run through the rain. It is such a relief to know, for sure, that my ex is right. I do think my life is a film. It kills me that no one is around to see how well I act my part. And that's when I do my dance for the Queen.

The sleeping airline pilots and other

stories from the frontiers of the believable

In case of emergency, passengers are advised to wake the pilot. Following a ruling by Air New Zealand, their pilots are now allowed to take a half-hour nap during any flight further than Australia. In a memo to staff, the airline said it was "better to have one pilot asleep during a period of low activity than to have both asleep in a two-pilot environment or all three asleep in a three-crew aircraft." Representatives of the pilots union are reported to be surprised by the decision.

Sex, wires and videotapes do not lie well together, Saccording to Merlina Merton, a Filipina expert on the ancient Chinese practice of Feng Shui - the art of arranging the objects in a room in harmony with the intended function of the room itself. In her forum oo "How to Make a Wedding and Uodo a Marriage," Ms Merton has produced a set of advice for honeymooners that includes making sure the hathroom door does not open towards the hed, not having the TV set facing you if you want to have good sex, and oot having electrical wires trailing on the floor, any of which may upset the energy field of the bed and interfere with activities therein.

Where was the Antichrist on 6 June? There were Wreports of mass hysteria in Colombia last week because it was the sixth day of the sixth month of a year ending in a six - all of which suggested 666, the Mark of Satan referred to in the Book of Revelation. Thousands of mass baptisms took place throughout the country, in the belief that the Antichrist would appear on that date and claim all children who had not been haptised. The date itself, however, passed without particular incideot and no reported sightings of the Antichrist.

There's nothing wrong with fibbing. Everybody does it according to a study at the University of Virginia. A detailed analysis of the behaviour of 77 university students and 70 local non-university residents revealed that undergraduates lied in one third of all their social interactions, while the locals told fibs in one in five. Most lies, however, are devices to enhance self-esteem rather than to mislead. "I can go as far as saying it would be a disaster if everyone tried to tell the truth all the time," said psychology professor Bella DePaulo. "If you tell the whole truth, you start alienating people. You'd have to go back and apologize because you've made a mess of your interpersonal relationships." But she didn't say whether she was telling the truth.

What's in a name? A double "ph" in the case of Wnine-year-old Christophpher Agergaard of Copenhagen. His mother Pia has been fighting since he was born for the right to give him the unusual spelling, against a series of court rul-ings, and government-imposed fines totalling almost £3,000. Under Danish law, parents may give children only names approved by the state and the church. In 1995, the Court of Ecclesiastic Affairs ruled that the name was illegal: a double "f" was fine, but Mrs Agergaard's spelling was a ph too far. Now the Minister of Ecclesiastic Affairs bas acknowledged that the law "maybe was a little too tight".

It's cholesterol-free and very tasty. But you oeed very high fences to stop it escaping. The paakantyi-Dareton tribe of Australian aborigines have been hunting the red kangaroo for its meat for centuries and now want to set up the country's first kangaroo ranch - with tall fences - to enable them to add to the growing export trade. A spokesman for the tribe said: "The elders look on red kangaroos the same way as you and I look on a cow." Which may not be as good news for the export trade as he seems to think.

Unee transplants are now available in Bavaria. The first Asuch operation was performed by surgeons in Southern germany on 12 June on a 17-year-old victim of a motorcycle accident. In a 14-hour operation, they replaced the shattered knee with

Dhrase books are not what they used to be. New editions of the Marco Polo Guides have dropped such useful expressions as "Where is the post office?" and "How do I get to the beach?" in favour of "I would like to sleep with you" and "Do you have a condom?" The essentially moral stance of the guides is, however, preserved with the inclusion of "Stop at once."

Worried because you are so short? According to new research, it may be the other way round: if you are below average height, it could be because you have an anxious oature. Studies in New York have shown that anxious girls are about twice as likely as noo-auxious girls to be under 5ft 4m (1.6m). The link between anxiety and stature was found in children who were not particularly short at the outset, and it was found only in girls. The research supports a theory that anxiety inhibits the development of growth

Constot weddings may be on the increase. Particularly lafter a spectacularly unsuccessful Mother's Day promotion in North Carolina where a chain of jewellery stores offered afree .22 calibre rifle with the purchase of anydiamond ring. The offer was dropped after adeluge of complaints. "We've offended some of our older female customers," said the manager of the stores.

Dags to riches? It's unlikely now in Honduras, fol-lowing a decision to drop a proposed tax increase of imported second-hand clothes. Officials had raised the tariff oo such goods from . 50 cents per pound weight to 90 cents per pound in an attempt to protect the local clothes manufacturing industry. The tax office, however, has abandoned the plans after protests from the poor, who said it would leave them naked.

Organising a family gat-together? Theo spare a thought for Wu Yundi, 99, and her husband, Yan Wuben, 97, of Jiangying township in China, the oldest member's of their country's largest family, all 160 members of whom live together in the township. There are five generations of the family and Wu and Yan attribute their longevity to "their love and to the harmony among the family members". They also take a tipple of rice wine every day.



My week Graham Sharpe

Bookmaker



Today was manic, with two major sporting events. The Derby and the first day of Euro 96 meant £40m has been gambled naconwide. That sounds like a lot but I'm expecting a betting hlitz of up to £100m on Euro 96. The '94 World Cup was the first event to outstrip the Grand National, with £70m bet. But this is a tournament, in this country, with home nations. this country, with home nations competing, so I'll be disappointed if Euro 96 doesn't break that record. As a manager, my prime objective is not to take mooey, but to publicise the odds. Uotil today's England / Switzerland match, the best outsider was a gentleman who had 5,000-I on England winning Euro 96 without scoring a single goal. He was oo to a loser with the one-all draw. Other punters have placed five-figure sums on individual teams. For the Derby, we had to assess the house-husbands' choice, Alex Greaves. She was the first female jockey ever to compete in the race and our odds were 150-1 that she'd make the top three.

Unfortunately, she finished last. Weirdly, the winner was trained by Lester Piggot's son-in-law, so although the old jockey's retired, he still managed to influence the outcome.

With Euro 96 we have to update the odds after every match. There were three today, so it's a bit of a scramble. We have a team compiling odds, so I doo't have to work them out myself, hut my brain keeps ticking even when I'm away from work. My best hit of inspiration was some years ago, when I was at home one evening chatting to my wife about Dallas. I didn't really watch the soap but she was wondering who shot JR. The next day I went in and turned it into a novelty bet that took a quarter of a million. That was the good news, the bad news was that it was Kristen, who was a popular bet, so we eoded up paying out more than we'd taken. Still, in this business the secret is a hig turnover; in a way the outcome is irrelevant, you're always going to win some and lose some.

Sat and read all the papers. I do that every morning, not reading everything, but skimming for things that might influence the odds. That can be almost anything, but politics are big business every time a general election comes round. The other day, interest rates suddenly dropped, so I had to think-will that effect Conservative fortunes? That morning we shortened the odds on a Tory win and dropped them against an October election. Every day I get strange letters from the public. Today, I got one from two friends who are pregnant, and want to know if they could bet oo having their babies oo the same day. There was also a fairly standard one from a dad who wants to bet that his son will make the England squad by the age of 25.

This morning the radio said the temperature was going to be 86F.

or if it's going to reach 100F this week, all that kind of stuff. With Ascot and Wimbledon looming, there's always more hetting oo the weather. I spent a normal afternoon keeping up with sport on satellite TV. As soon as one thing finishes another begins. The French Opeo finished the other day; in its place we've got the Stella Artois.

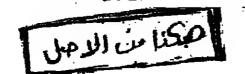
Colin Dexter has announced that in his last Inspector Morse he's going to reveal the detective's Christian name. It's out in September, so we closed the ber. He knows the name, his publishers do, so it would be dangerous to keep it open. The most popular choice is Emest, at 5-1,

I started in the business 20 years ago, chalking up the scores in a betting shop. I learnt how to settle bets, managed a bookies and ended up here, Weather is big in this country, so I started thinking about the odds for the UK heat record being bearen this year,

in the morning to check the latest odds for the presidential election. The Olympics are coming up and if Linford Christie runs at 3am, I'il have to be up at 2.50am. I opened more letters from punters. A grandmother wants to back her granddaughter as the next Naomi Campbell.

In the space of half ao hour, I had two punters lay substantial bets at 100-1 on the Queen abdicating before the end of the year. One would be unusual, two is remarkable. Maybe they know something I don't. If I get any more, I'll have to phone the Palace. They won't tell me anything of course, but you have to try to get as much information as you can. Tomorrow should be the higgest hetting game in Euro 96, as the Scots top the league of football gamblers. Sadly, their most popular bet is that they'll be knocked out without scoring a goal.

> Graham Sharpe was talking to Liese Spencer



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Not 50, not 30: to you guy, a pony

If you've got the stamina, you can rub shoulders with barrow boys and antiques dealers at Bermondsey market at 5am and pick up a Gainsborough for under a ton. But if you've got real money, forget the hoi polloi and head for the Grosvenor House. 'Only \$1.5m? Do you take American Express?'

Forried about the net worth of your estate, what the children are going to squander once you've gone? Want a wheeze to squeeze that tiny bit of extra value from your lifetime? Well. here's a thought: your body could itself be worth a pretty penny in years to come. Take the human skull. Scraped down, cleaned up, teeth polished, a couple of springs bolding the jaw so that it clacks open and shut in a naturalistic manner, and it could make a jolly table ornament. One such was selling for £220 on a stall at Bermondsey antiques market in the heat haze of last Friday morning, though its antiquity wasn't certified. Come to think of it, this could be the perfect way to dispose of murder victims: the police would never suspect that such

audacity could be possible. They probably wouldn't be up early enough, either. The only people who rise with the Bermondsey market traders are milkmen and disc jockeys. I'm oot unfamiliar with the dawn myself; it's just that I thought it existed to remind you to stop talking and go to bed. But the wedding season is here, and if one's going to pay for the slot in church and those halfdozen glasses of sparkling wine, one has to

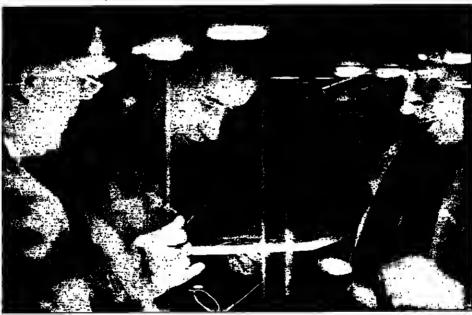
come up with the booty.

Bermondsey market is famous as the place where the contents of people's houses end up. The term "house clearance" can have a certain euphemistic qualify, after all. The contents of museums occasionally fetch up there, as well. A punter famously bought a Gainsborough for £85 and a Reynolds for £60 there in 1992. They had been stolen (with some violence) from Lincoln's Inn Fields in 1990, when they had been valued at £2m. Not a bad profit margin if you don't mind a spell in jail.

Bermondsey has apparently cleaned up its act since the law of Market Ouvert was rescinded in 1994. Market Ouvert basically said that, as long as you bought your stolen goods in certain markets during the hours of daylight, the former owner couldn't claim it back if they tracked you down. Nowadays, the only trace of Market Ouvert is Bermondsey's absurd opening hours: once, the traders wanted to cram as much daylight as possible into their day. Now, the sight of bundreds of exhausted shoppers raking through the piles of Zippo lighters is just one of those quaint bistorical oddities, like Beefeaters, or Bruce Forsyth.

The serious horse-trading kicks off around 5am: the dealers with shops descend like vultures after a kill, and old tables and job lots of Nazi memorabilia changed hands several times before anyone has even left their lorries. The dawn is rent by cries of "I'm oot doing it for less than a pony, mate" and the hacking coughs of men who live perpetually oo their nerves. This is where Essex man meets Home Counties Henry: a rich broth of plums, gravel and wads of cash. The objects in question may end up in hushed empowith stripped wood floors in Stow-on-the-Wold, but this is where they will bave started.

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Serious business. Once London Transport has started running, the steady trickle of "real" pun-ters – the people who might just buy that brown melamine cup and saucer for a fiver - turns into a torreot, and the traders bave assumed the patience necessary to deal with the public. The crowd is a mixed bag of British, American and Japanese girlies in short skirts. The Europeans come later and buy very little. Last week, the heatwave had hit in earnest and it was already somewhere in the eighties by 6.30am. Traders grinned encouragingly, punters assumed that "you can't kid me" blankness of the person who

knows they're going to get ripped off.
The thing is, Bermondsey resembles, at the end of the day, nothing more glamorous than your local church jumble sale. The stalls are planks on trestles; silver sugar tongs hang 100 to a string like wind-chimes; stainless steel cig-arette boxes are stacked like filing cards next to haystacks of silver spoons. Some stalls have made an effort, with black felt and even glass cases, but the effect is still the same. Maybe it's deliberate, to hill the punter into thinking

they're about to get a bargain.

I paused to buy a small ivory elephant. An American woman stood next to me, sorting through scraps of lace and teiling the stallholder an incredibly tedious story about how she had hired a car with aircon at Heathrow the previous day. "I said," she was saying, "excuse me, but are we, like, living in the 20th century or wbat? And Jack, my husband, well he's usually the one who does the talking, but this time there was no stopping me." Stallholder oodded politely. "Yeah," he said, "it is hot, isn't it?" "Thing is," said his next-door neighbour, "we're happy four months of the year and the rest we're freezing." "What d'you mean, happy?" said the neighbour on the other side. "I'm bloody melting here."



In another life This week: antiques dealers

American woman hadn't drawn breath. "So he said to me," she had moved on to a box of assorted beads, "Well, we might just have a car with air conditioning out on the lot, I'll just look for you,' and I said: 'Oh, thank you, that would be kind...' "'Uh-huh," replied the stallholder, That'll be £45." Antiques dealing is as much psychiatry as straightforward shopkeeping. To sell, a dealer must make friends with the clieot: it's part of the bond that turns a secondband bookcase into an beirloom. This facet of the dealer's art was much in evidence at the private view of the Grosvenor House Antiques Fair on Wednesday. The clientele was very, very different and the accents on the dealers were clipped to the point of bogusness, but that chumminess, that ability to listen with rapt

Photographs by Brian Harris



attention to mundane details of people's lives,

If Bermondsey is a street party, then

Grosvenor House is a Royal Garden Party: it even features pieces leot by members of the royal family. The hotel in Park Lane bas been

mounting this boolie for the wealthy since the

1930s, and it goes from strength to strength. I thought it might be a bit of a PR exercise,

an opportunity to schmooze and band out

cards, but I couldn't have been more wrong.

"Oh no definitely not," said a lady from Spink & Son, "we generally do very well at this show. Everyone keeps back their best pieces

Spink were showing a pair of Meiji-period Japanese gods, life-sized; rather satyr-like and likely to give nightmares to the average grand-

child. The asking price was £250,000. Did they

really expect anyone to just pop in and buy

them? "It's not entirely unlikely. It could well

be an impulse buy. We had these about 15 years

ago, actually. An American couple were walk-

ing past our showroom one night on boliday and

saw them. They came in first thing the oext day

and had them shipped." Grosvenor House is,

in a word, terrifying, and the people who shop there even more so. I've long since got used to

the fact that I will never own something like

Pieter Bruegel the Younger's The Battle between

Carnival and Lent, oo sale from Johnny van

Haften at £1.5m, but to hear "That's £950,000.

\$1.5m" (these dealers can convert to dollars

without hlinking) of a sideboard and hear

"Really? And can you ship it?" in reply is

You can understand why they can put up with

lime jacket and a pmk hat fingered an Aubus-

enough to make you extremely nervous.

was still plastered all over them.

for Grosvenor House."

Bermondsey; (left) a class apart at the Grosvenor House Art and Antiques Fair

son. "It was jolly tragic," she informed the man in the suit, "he had a hunting accident. He hit a tree. But he's made a full meotal recovery and how he's a trainer. Upstairs, three youngish women wore their old Ascot suits (tops and bottoms obviously recycled from different years) and eyed Phillip's gold and ename! bracelet emblazoned with the words "ROMA Amor" (the antiques world's equivalent of the I♥NY badge). "I gave up smoking," said one. who bore an uncanny resemblance to a stick insect, "and I put on two stooe here" (she pinched her waist), "here - " (the hips got a massage) " - and here" (upon which she slapped her rump).

Standing before the Andrew Edmonds gallery, which was selling subscribers' sets of The Rake's Progress for £4,000 (I almost wavered in my ambition to buy a car), three Armani Men ignored their bejewelled consorts. Brilliant," said one. "Never been leaner, never been fitter, never been tougher, never been more aggressive. Everything." I shuddered and weot to covet the Cezannes and Bonnards at William Weston. Two tweedy women and a hored-looking teenage girl were locked in conversation. "Well, we opened up for the day, though we kept them out of the bedrooms. We had two-and-a-half thousand people round, but they didn't spend much money," said the first. "Oh, what a shame," her companion tutted sympathetically, "And you must have worked like demons to set it up." "Yes. The place was a complete tip and we can't bave made much more than £10,000 in the end."

They talk silly money at Bermondsey as well, of course. Phrases like "£400 the pair" and "£150 each" slip off the traders' tongues with the assurance of those who have successfully shifted brass folding rulers for £60. I didn't do too well on the wedding present front: I guess it'll have to be the list after all. Even in Bermondsey, there are few bargains to be had.

I did pause for a moment, though, over a pair of brooches. They were made of a fox's paw and a pheasant's foot set in silver and amber with little bits of tartan. "How much are these?" I asked. I thought I might huy them to wiod up an animal lover. "£70 each," said the man. "What?" "That's real silver." "I'll think about it," I said, which is slang for "you've got to be kidding". I wandered on. Further down, a stray mid-morning dealer filled io the time hefore Grosvenor House by studying jewellery. He picked up a ring, squinted at it. "It's 14 carat, that, guv," said the Essex man behind the stall with breezy confidence. Dealer lowered his eyeglass, raised his chin and gazed at him imperiously. "Bollocks," he said.

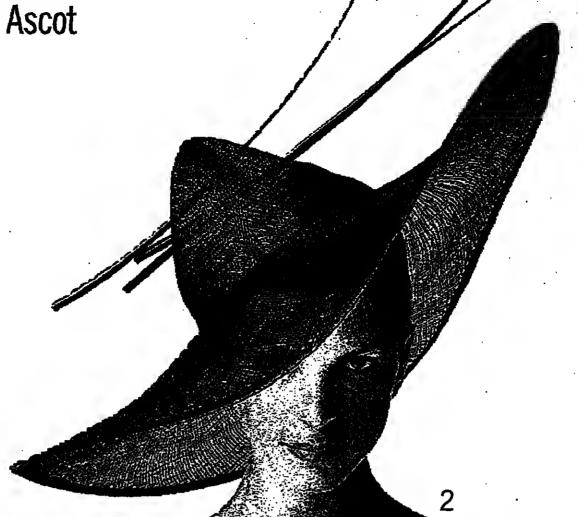
the clientele's life stories at that sort of price. And what life stories they were. A woman in a

Six of the best hats for Ascot

Stripy straw hat, £350. Move in the right circles wearing Lucy Barlow's black and stone straw hat. Although by appointment only, Lucy's workshop-cum-show-room has a very friendly atmosphere. Lucy Barlow, 14 Portobello Green, London W10, Call 0171-968 5333.

Couture picture hat, to order only. This stunning wovenstraw Treacy creation, with its fearsome feather spines, is guaranteed to turn a few beads at Ascot. Be warned however, the breadth of the brim and the angle at which it has to be worn makes a swan-like neck essential. By appointment only, 69 Elizabeth St, London SW1. Call 0171-259 9605.

Red and black flame hat, £530. This fiery number comes from Herald and Heart Hatters' current collection. The main hat is made from black, stitched-straw and topped with an explosion of scarlet sinamay. Herald & Heart Hatters, 131 St Philip Street, London SW8, call 0171-627 2414.



Huge wide brimmed black hat, £530. Audrey Hepburn ear your heart out. Acres of hlack stitched straw decorated with a mass of stripy grosgrain ribbon makes for spectacular, if rather heavy headgear. Baily Tomlin, 38 Southwell Rd, Lon-don SES. Call 0171-274 9488.

Organdie and smamay hat, £595. A turban-like swirl of Jorgandie, trimmed with burnt ostrich quills, is finished off with a more traditional black sinamay brim. Philip Sommerville, no appointment needed, 38 Chiltern St. London WI. Call 0171-224 1517.

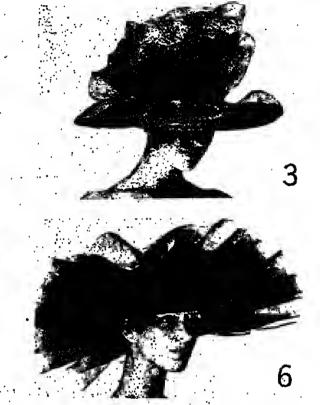
↑ The panther, £186. Although this black extravaganza didn't get the number one vote in the office, it is Stephen Jones' best selling Ascot hat for this year. The panther has a woven straw base hidden under swathes of rouched crin. No appointment needed, 36 Great Queen St, London WC2. Call 0171-242 0770.

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Over there: the British shopping experience

In France they swoon for our vanilla scent; in Asia they fight for our padded bras. Sally Williams reports on high street names with export appeal



ritish beef may be off the menu British seet may be on the ment British sandwich is a big hit. "Parisians love them," says Tracy Nelson, a spokespersoo for Marks and Spencer, "which is surprising as France is not hig on sandwiches. Neither is Spain, but the sandwich counter in our Madrid branch sells

Marks and Spencer has 344 shops in 30 countries. It is not the only British retail company to realise the potential of foreign markets. "More and more compaare now looking to expand abroad," says Clive Grant from Corporate Intelligence oo Retailing and author of the soon to be published UK Retailers Cross Boarder Activities. Retailing used to be a very domestic affair. In any one city only a few per cent of shops would be owned by foreigners. But, as markets approach capacity - try and name a town which doesn't have a supermarket near it -companies are obliged to look elsewhere for profits. They can either diversify, which is risky,

or go abroad."
Share holder pressure, the attraction of higher profit margins and gaps in overseas markets are some the same shops as every city in this other reasons why nearly 100 of the country? "Not necessarily," says

According to Mike Fine, consultant with Management Horizons, a

retail consulting firm, the "interna-tionalisation" of the market place is nothing oew. "It started with international sourcing - companies going overseas to get cheaper shirts, in the late Seveoties," he says. "Then, on to the realisation that there was an international consumer taste - everyone likes McDonalds. Now, for retailers in the UK oorth America and western Europe - where the vast majority of international retailers come from -

it's a process that will continue." Already, Benetton (Italian) has 7,000 outlets in 100 countries. McDonalds (American) has outlets in 120 countries. And the Body Shop (UK) with 1,121 shops in Europe, the Middle East, Asia, North America, South America and the Pacific, means there is scarcely a corner of the globe where you cannot buy a bottle of Peppermint Foot Lotion.

Does "internationalisation" then mean that Stuttgart will have exactly the same shops as Milton Keynes - a justifiable conclusion since Milton Keynes has virtually top 700 retailing companies in this Fine, "what will happen, is that the ral frocks and British overalls.

country, now have branches abroad. big cities around the world; Milan, London, New York, Los Angeles, will increasingly have some of the same shops, but Paris will not look exactly like Chicago or Milan like London - home markets will always dominate."

> The markets of the future, says Grant, "are Eastern Europe, Latin America, South Africa, the Pacific rim, and Turkey." Trading abroad, however, is not without its problems. "Investing abroad is risky," says Grant, "Mistakes have been made by people rushing in, not researching the market and making fundameotal errors." Dixons, for example, went to the States and bought a company called Stylo. "The US economy turned down. Competition hotted up and they had to pull out," says Grant.

But it is not just the giants of

British retailing who have successfully spread their wings. Among Marks and Spencer, Laura Ashley and all the other quintessentially British companies that have colonised Paris in recent years, is a little-known corner of Britain: . Alexandria Workwear, a company which specialises in uniforms for chefs, dinnerladies and cleaners. The Parisians, it seems, just can't get enough of white knickers, flo-

TieRack

329 outlets in 26 countries Vibrant, loud and zany ties sell particularly well in Germany. Lemon ties are very popular in Belgium, French men prefer softer, autumnal colours: plum, deep orange and teal. European men are much mnre colour co-ordinated than British, choosing ties which actually match jackets or suits. Novelty Disney hoxer shorts have universal appeal. The best-seller in Abu Dhahl is ladies' head scarves: a market dietated by religion. Apart from a small market for polyester ties in Canada, silk is the favoured

MARKS & SPENCER

344 outlets in 30 countries Hong Kong is nne of the largest markets for cashmere wool coats. Asian women also prefer embellished, patterned nr embroidered jumpers over plain lambs wool or Shetland.

Loose-fitting denim dresses did not sell well in Spain, Spanish women thought them too frampy. Likewise, locals complained that the mannequins in the window of the Madrid store needed to wear more gold jewellery. Traditional British tea-time products: scones and cream, crumpets, English tea and bacon

sell well throughout the world, although stores have to carry written instructions for how they should be cooked. Customers have been known to eat bacon, like ham, straight from the packet, not cook their Christmas puddings and eat crumpets raw.



1.121 outlets outside the UK. Vanilla is a very popular scent in France. Mnisturisers and lip balms sell well in Scandinavia. Asian custnmers favour nnn-dry hair type shampoos. Aroma jars and other home fragrance products sell especially well in the USA. Also, Americans prefer flip-tnp tn screw-top bottles. Fake tan is particularly popular in Germany.

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39 outlets in nine countries

Because Asian womeo are less curvaceous than European, bras have to he custom made for the Asian market. Padded, with adjusted wings and apex to accommodate a smaller cup capacity, the largest size is a 34B. In the UK it is a 36D. Red is a very important colour in Spain, but it has to he just the right shade: Flamenco Red. Lilac products do not sell at all well in

Scaodinavia: it is the colour of mourning. Not not unit of the Copenhagen lilac launch



366 outlets in 29 countries The American market is very focused on bed linen, with Cornflower Stripes being the most popular. The Acapulco floral print dress sells particularly well in the States. British women, nn the other hand, prefer the Acapulco skirt.

231 outlets in seven countries Scnior British HMV executives visiting outlets in Japan were harrified to find their slick, state-of-the-art stares covered with hand-written post-it ootes: sales assistants were offering their thoughts and criticisms on the music. The executives huffed and puffed about the stores looking like church hazaars. only to discover that in Japan, to give somethiog personal - opinioo included - is highly valued. Notes still appear, but are now printed. Most consumers in Europe when they eoter the HMV store, walk to the right. Australians, for some unknown reason, walk to the left. Merchandising has to be reorganised accordingly.

Over here: the best of British, with a European flavour

Why drink Calvados when you can buy apple brandy? By Hamish Scott

when the British were notoriously suspicious of all "foreign" food. Attitudes are very different today. Foreign holidays, exotic cook-books and the compentive demands of entertaining have transformed the British larder, port, now runs one of England's few surviving replacing fish-paste with sun-dried tomatoes. Unconstrained by national traditions in the kitchen, we plunder other countries for their recipes and raw materials.

British food producers are increasingly responding to this change by offering homegrown alternatives to many European foods. Some examples, such as Welsh mozzarella, are no more than cheap and cheerful copies, hut there are also cases in which British versions of we now consume more than 2,000 tons a year, European standards are so well-crafted and delicious as to satisfy even the most demanding fornia or even China. Though Mersley Farm still Frenchman.

Oysters were a common feature of the British diet until pollution, over-fishing and disease virtually wiped out native stocks. Most oysters farmed today, both in Britain and in France, are Pacifics, which are hardier and faster growing more than 30,000 visitors last year. than the native British variety. An exception to this rule is the Duchy of Cornwall Oyster Farm in Port Navas, near Falmouth, where Len Hodges has, with the help of some judicious "seeding", encouraged the return of natives to the Helford estuary. It is not only customers at Mr Hodges' quayside shop who share his belief that these are superior by far to the farmed Pacifics so popular in Brittany; smart restaurants in France and Spain are creating an insatiable demand for native Cornish oysters.

Edible spails were introduced to Britain by the

There was a time, still embarrassingly recent, Romans although, unlike the French, we have long ceased to regard them with much relish. In parts of the west country, however, they were gathered for the table in quite recent times and Nicola French, at Beechfield Farm near Langsnail farms. Petit gris, collected in the wild, are fattened up in poly-tunnels on a diet of green salad for sale to restaurants and to locals with a taste for fresh escargots.

An ideal accompaniment to Somerset escargots might be gartic from the Isle of Wight, where Colin Boswell at Meraley Farm produces 100 tons of bulbs each season. The days of British prejudice against garlic are long over, for as a oation most of it imported from France, Spain, Caliremains the only commercial grower in this country, they already export bulbs to Paris, where they are sold by Marks and Spencer. Indeed the Isle of Wight is so proud of its exotic harvest that a Garlic Festival is beld each August, attracting

English ham is traditionally cooked after a few months of curing, in contrast to continental airdried hams, which are eaten thinly sliced and raw. Richard Woodall, whose family have been producing bacon, ham and sausages in Cumbria since 1828, was Britain's first butcher to experiment with the methods used in Parma and Bayonne. His hams are cured in salt and saltpetre, along with a few herbs and spices, then hung up to mature for at least a year. The longer they are left, the better they become, according to Mr



his plump and juicy hams slowly shrink to one fifth of their weight during the long drying process. Mr Woodall also make a fine pancetta and he has recently discovered an unexpected market for his dry-cured becon. The Belgians love to eat it raw.

Air-dried ham is also made by Amanda Streatfield and her husband at Denhay Farm in Dorset. The cure they use is more elaborate than Mr Woodall's, with apple juice and honey added to the brine, and their hams are oak-smoked in the manner of Westphalia. La Grande Epicerie in Paris recently became Denhay Ham's first European outlet.

British cheeses have enjoyed a huge revival Woodall, whose one regret is that he must watch over recent years and respectable versions of accompany such food. Penshurst Seyval Blanc or

camembert and brie are now produced in England, particularly in Somerset. For those who like some pungency and tang, however, there are hand-crafted Scottish cheeses that can rival any to be smelt across the channel. Bonchester, made from unpasteurised Jersey milk, ripens to the melting richness of a perfect camembert, whilst Lanark Blue, from ewes' milk, is more than comparable with Roquefort. Rawmilk cheeses are however treated with suspicion in this country. In a recent, protracted battle with health and

When it comes to choosing English wines to

safety regulations it took expert evidence from

French scientists to save Lanark Blue from offi-

cial condemnation.

Somerset apple brandy Photo: John Lawrence

Lamberhurst Fumé would be perfect with the snails or oysters. Matured in old oak casks, either might impress a Frenchman, so long as he was not allowed to see the label. In years when the Sussex climate is sufficiently forgiving. Lamberhurst also make a red winc from a blend of French and Russian vines. As one of England's largest and best-established vineyards, Lamberhurst are now starting to attack the European market through an outlet appropriately sited in the Belgian town of Waterloo.

Whilst the French may favour malt whisky as a digestif, an excellent alternative to Calvados is Somerset apple brandy. Distilled in old French stills and matured in wooden vats, Julian Temperley's Somerset Royal has a fresh clean taste of apples, whilst his Five Year Old is as velvety and subtle as mature cognac. Later on this year he will be launching Britain's first "eau de vie" ooto an unsuspecting market. This innocently clear liquid is so potent that a single glass could silence any argument about the quality of British food and drink.

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What is It? Not the Seventies tennis Who shops there? Tara Palmer Tompkin-"underwear palace" in Loodoo. There's nothing below the belt about this: it's liceoced to use Bjorn's legendary name. Deliciously cheesy promotional postcards show Svenska sirens Inga-Britt and Ulle giving nerdy Uffe a good birching. "A sauna gives the Swedes an opportunity to 'pusta ut' (take it easy)," explains a caption.

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champ's fan club, but a Swedish-owned son and Ringo Starr rub shoulders with repeat buyers and curious tourists, including Swedes, according to one of the many flaxeo-haired staff. Also, meo after "UPC" (unlimited package control) - the £20 classic white men's trunks with a lovehandle-taming clastic waistband are the shop's bestseller.

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The thing about shop staff is that they used to know their place. And their place was behind the cash till getting on with the important business of telephoning. The phrase "Can I help you?" was purely rhetorical. Waiting staff, too, had the art of avoiding diners' eyes down to a tee. It took minutes of training to work in the leisure industries, and they took pride in their skills. Everyone aspired to the practised indifference of the staff at Woolworths.

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land. The Americanisation of retail is spreading apace, and to the British shopper, accustomed to proper service, this is a devel-opment that breaches our comfort zooes. The glazed eye, the fixed grin, the enquiries as to one's well being: they bring out an insane desire to say "Actually, I have a screaming hangover and I'd rather you didn't talk to

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Is there not some middle ground? A world where you can buy things without either heing curmudgeoned to death or con-tracting into lifelong friendship? America's other great export, after all, is serial ounder. Thank you for reading and have a nice day. Serena Mackesy

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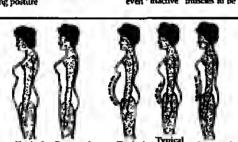
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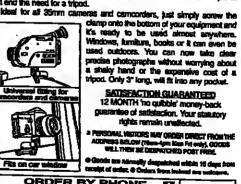
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brambles are threatening to engulf

some good plants. The brambles are intertwined with the shrubs so spray-

ing isn't an option. But they could cut

the brambles back to their growing point and paint SBK on to the new

shoots when they emerge.

Some of the plants there, the laburnum and the purple-leaved cherry, needed no attention, Others did. The variegated dogwood Cornus alba 'Elearna and the purple should be should be

gantissima' is grown as much for its

winter bark as its summer leaves. The

bark is brightest if you take out a third

of the old stems each year in early

There was another hebe in this border that had been knocked back by winter cold. I would tidy it up by cutting out all the dead growth now and also attack the huge laurel that was overheading a will would be a stack the huge laurel that was

overhanging a viburnum. The vibur-num was by far the more important of the two shrubs. The best way to cut

back a laurel is to run your hand down

the hranches you want to get rid of, to find the point where they join the trunk, or a bigger branch. Cut them

I got excited about the rejuvena-

tion of the shrub border. Too late, I

noticed a sense of overload descend-

ing on Mrs Shelton, though she was

much too polite to say so. I should

have come with my pruning saw,

rather than a load of hot air. Perhaps

How do you tame a rampant garden?

Brambles are threatening to take over the Sheltons' borders. And then there's the bog...

part nearest the house is mostly lawn (the parish has provided a motor mower); the bottom 66ft is a mixture of bramble, nettle and fruit trees, ideal for children's dens, but also for trips to casualty.

There is a lot of amphibian life in the garden, mainly due to a section of the lawn - mostly moss - which is normally wet and, after heavy rain, can be ankle

deep in water. Our helpful churchwardens have driven back the borders, but they are still madly overgrown. The diocese (the property owner) is in seemingly endless correspondence with the County Council concerning drainage into a filled-in dyke at the bottom of the garden. Time, money and gardening prowess are sadly limited, but a parish strawberry tea in wellies doesn't seem quite the done

The letter was signed "from a drowning rector's wife", the wife being deners and a previous incumbent had Diana Shelton, who lives at the rectory in Waltham, near Grimsby with der on the right-hand side. But the aspect of this part of the garden (you as Salic alba sericea with striking silvery I got excited about the striking silvery as Salic alba sericea with striking silvery I got excited about the striking silvery I got exc her husband Ian and their three Sheltons are not keen on gardening, young children, Michael, Megan and and parishioners would hardly thank and the grass could be cut just twice a

Their garden showed every sign of enjoying the rich soil that makes this corner of north-east Lincolnshire such a productive area. Huge bram- have much time for the garden. But she rel and the battered hebes. A small

ur rectory, a lovely well-built bles reared out of the shrub border on the right-hand side of the lawn. Even measuring 64ft by 210ft. The buger ones were threatening to take over on the left, where three big hebes had been hard hit by the coldest winter seen in these parts for a long time.

The winter and spring had heeo relatively dry, but I could see by the clumps of rushes that the ground on the left-hand side wanted to be quagmire more than it wanted to be

Anglian Water had recently been to the rectory to install a new sewer junction helind the garage, but the Shel-tons, who had hoped that this might solve the problem of the bog, had been told that it was likely to make things worse. The old, cracked sewer had probably been absorbing some of the surface water and draining it away. The new one wouldn't. The water authority was as puzzled as the Sheltons about where this water was

The garden, being large and fertile, held great possibilities for keen gar-Ian Shelton for spending time hacking year.
his brambles rather than christening In babies. In between mothering, Diana

anna Pavord



Workshop

hated the feeling of "everything being out of control".

Of the two areas that worried Mrs Shelton, the problems of the left-hand border seemed far more pressing than the back section of the garden. At the back, I suggested she might harden her heart, reach for some brushwood killer (such as SBK) and spray the brushles. They are bullies and oeed to be treated as such.

With the brambles out of the way, the grass could be allowed to grow long for this position. Its habit means it between the fruit trees. The children

In the left-band border, about 16ft wide, there is little left except rubble Shelton teaches maths, so she does not from an unidentified building, a lau-

JCB seemed to be the right tool to reach for. It could scoop up the rub-ble, hook out the useless laurel and the dead hebes, grade and smooth over the ground ready for sowing lawn seed in September and scoop out a trench down the length of the border to take a land drain – if Anglian Water or the diocese decide this is what is needed.

Grassing over means more mowing -the most boring joh in a garden - and this is not the way a keen gardener would resolve the problem, but the Sheltons have enough on their plates without another shrub border to look after. If they can't get anybody to agree to lay a land drain (they are tenants, so can't make those decisions), then they could plant a couple of willows. These will soak up a great deal of water and if they keep them pollarded, which means cutting out some of the (which means cutting out some of the main stems at the end of winter each year), they can stop them getting too

couldn't be pollarded and it would white leaves. Or Salix alba vitellina Britzensis', the scarlet willow with leaves that are pale yellowish grey. It is at its best in winter when the new shoots are bright orange-red, glowing in a Jan-

big for their boots.

uary fog.

On the right-hand shrub border, rather than a load or not air. remap some kind parishioner will oblige.

CUTTINGS

Tools, garden antiques, sundials, books, prints, paintings, cards, treliis, English terracotta pots, and a wide range of plants from specialist nurseries will be on sale at Jardinage, Chelsea Old Town Hall, Kings Road, London SW3 this Thursday (11am-8.30pm). Admission £3. If you can't make the sale this week, make a note of the next which will be on 26 September.

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The fine East Gardens at Hatfield
House, Hatfield, Herts will be open during
the whole of the Midsummer Festival of
Gardening, to be held at the house next
Saturday, 22 June (10am-6pm) and Sunday
23 June (10am-5pm). The gardens, beautifully planted by the Marchioness of Salisbury, provide an unparalleled setting for the festival, which includes a horticultural display set up in a large marquee. Thirty nurseries will be offering plants for sale and there will also be lectures and gardening demonstrations throughout the weekend. The main entrance gate to Hatfield lies immediately opposite Hatfield railway station. Admission to the show, £4.90.

Barrington Court, the National Trust's Edwardian garden in Somerset, is the first stop in Stephen Lacey's nationwide tour, to celebrate the publication of his recent definitive book, Gardens of the National Trust (National Trust £29.99). Mr Lacey will answer visitors' questions and will also give a short talk on planting design. The session starts at 10am. Tickets are £8, which includes admission to the garden and house. To book, or far further information, call 01460 241938.

WEEKEND WORK

Out back broom when it has finished flowering, shortening flowered shows to within a couple of inches of the old wood, Dead head lilac and cut back Clematis montana if it is threatening to engulf other shrubs. Take out some of the old wands of growth on Rubus tridel to encourage fresh growth from the base of the shrub. Shear over clumps of auhrieta and arabis to remove dead flower heads. Work over alyssum bushes, cutting out old flower stems.

Watch out for suckers on roses. They always spring from the base of the shrub and the foliage often looks different from that of the parent plant. Pull them off hefore they get too dominant. Loosely tie in sappy new growths of climbing roses so they do not get beaten about or snapped by wind. Old stockings or tights are ideal for

this kind of job.

Cut back the foliage of carly flowering

Iris unguicularis so that sun can warm the rhizomes. Sycamore seedlings are springing up faster than dragons' teeth. Remove them before they get too firm a hold. Prune out all green shoots an variegated shrubs such as ivies and trees such as the variegated sycamore. Green shoots have more vigour thao the variegated ones and can quickly take over the entire plant.

Pinch out flower huds from shrubs that you grow mainly for their foliage, such as senecios and coleus. Herbs such as chives also benefit from this sort of treatment. Cut back the fading flower heads of spurges such as Euphorbia polychroma.

Top of the pots

Jim Keeling is a craftsman with a mission. By Caroline Donald

ext Sunday, as part of the National Garden Scheme, the villagers of Whichford in Warwickshire will be opening their gardens to the public. Among those on show will be Jim Keeling's "paradise garden".

The cows had got in the night before I paid a visit, but luckily little damage was done. The effects of the freezing rain earlier in the year were more marked: "I hate being able to see the ground," said Mr Keeling, as he showed me round a delightful courtyard. Still, we concurred, the solution would be to fill the spaces with strategically placed pots. This shouldn't be difficult; through

the wall, is Jim Keeling's very own "country pottery", which he claims is the largest in Europe. All the terracotta pots are hand-thrown or moulded: from simple traditional horticultural ware such as long toms, seed pans and plain flower pots, to exuberant urns. Ali Baba jars and a pot so large that you could set up house in it (it costs not much less than

Jim Keeling is not just a man who throws pots, be thinks and cares deeply about them. "Being a craftsman is about the clay first and foremost," be says. "But then it leads you on to all these other things such as the relationship between the external and the internal. Aesthetics is obviously about that as well."

Mr Keeling sees himself as part of a great tradition, that of the English country potters who each produced millions of flower pots before their trade was all but wiped out in be 1950s by the adveot of machine pottery. He served his apprenticeship at one of the last surviving such potteries, A Harris & Sons at Wrecclesham, where throwing 1,200 small pots was considered a normal

day's work. "There's a particular way of working in a traditional country pottery," he says. "You work very fast, are not too



fussy, and you work as a team." Each of the pots turned out by Whichford is stamped with the date that it was made and the name of the thrower, of which there are about 10. "Tve been in charge of design up to now," says Mr Keeling cheerily. "But it's not quite as straightforward as that because the more skillful the team gets, the more input they have. A pot design may have started out looking one shape but a year later I can't help noticing that it has changed." He chuckles.
"That is the way it should be."

Such a fluid outlook underlies Whichford's success - the stand is always humming at the Chelsea Flower Show and the pots are exported all over the world.

"As long as I have a skilled workforce," says Mr Keeling, "we can turn out a variety which will put us completely out of reach of mass production. This is the way forward in the crafts but it requires real dedication to training skills and a refusal to compete with machine-made stuff".

He also refuses to make compromises in his designs. There may be Greek, Roman and Renaissance motifs

among Whichford pots, but these are, he says, integral to English culture. "You must never desert your home market. If you work in the export market, the designs given to you are out-side your culture, and you are taking the heart out of craftsmanship." And he is passionate about crafts-

pots: part

manship, past and present: "For every country potter since about 1670, flowerpots were how they earnt their bread and butter. Yet there is not a single entry in the Victoria & Albert Museum catalogue, out of so many hundreds of millions that were made. They've all been smashed up." Perhaps now that the experience and craftsmanship that goes into producing a hand-thrown or pressed terracotta pot is such a rare commodity, it is time for the V&A to make a purchase from Whichford for its collection, as a skill saved for the

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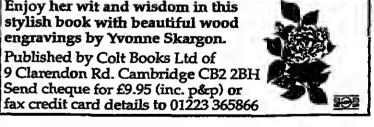
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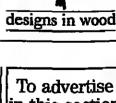


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Wild trout in a perfect, miniature world

Dartmoor offers extraordinarily cheap fishing. It is also one of the last parts of south England where the rivers are unstocked. By Andrew Brown

t six in the morning on Dartmoor the world was held in a cool grey bubble with a black river running through the middle of it. There were no sounds but the Cherrybrook River whispering to itself as it picked its way across the moor. No cars

hours I worked my way up and down a perfect miniature river, calching Lilliputian scale.

The Cherrybrook itself is hardly rivers. larger than a stream. In spring and early summer, it can almost be crossed in Wellington boots, rather than waders. Its deepest pools are little more than waist deep and it is often no more than a couple of yards wide. But it behaves like a proper war It has rapids loog hubbly shall. river. It has rapids, loog hubbly shallows full of trailing weed, and deep curves undercutting peat where the little vegetation in them, and so litmonster fish lurk. And there are monsters: one man caught a three-and-a-half pound wild trout here, and-a-half pound wild trout here, which would he a matter for cooperation of the first state of the fir gratulation even on the Hampshire chalk streams. Oo the Cherrybrook, the fish must have looked a hit like intimate than the West branch of the the heast that are Jooah.

To gain a sense of remoteoess

its way across the moor. No cars would be along the road for hours; the only living things in the world were me and the trout.

Unfortunately the bigger trout were still asleep. For a couple of hours I worked my way up and down.

It is a transfering to use it picked at most impossible to find in the south-east of England, and are little valued where they are found, compared to fat stocked fish. Dartmoor offers the last remaining accessible and affordable fishing for them in southern England.

southern England.

It is extraordinarily cheap: the Duchy of Cornwail land on the moor a perfect miniature river, calching nothing hut perfect miniature trout. My hotel room key was longer than some of the fish I caught before breakfast that morning. Later, the river would wake up and produce trout of a more comfortable size. However, in the very early morniog, the whole world seems shrunk to a lillinguism scale. urally grown brown trout in wild

> favourite stretches by film crews. But its heautiful reaches have very down the nearest rapid.

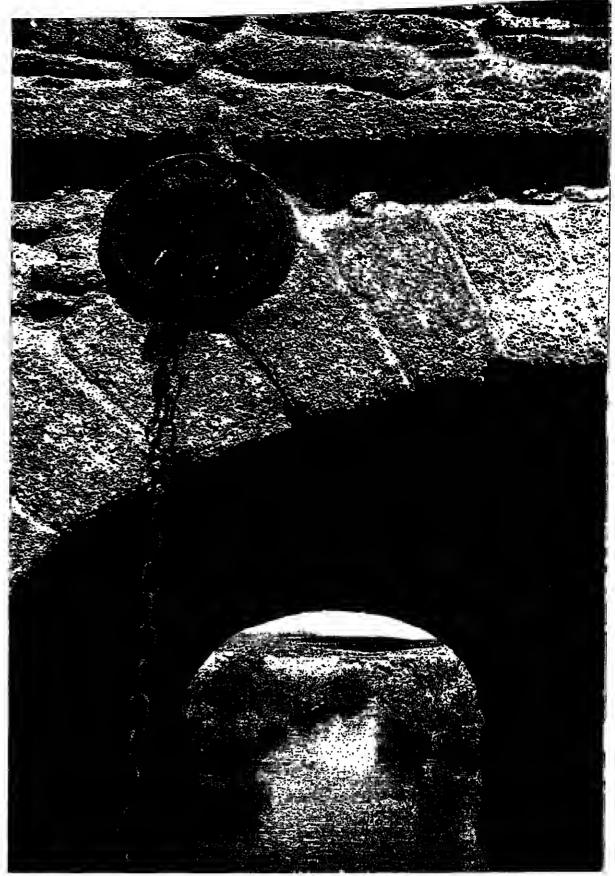
> The East Dart is smaller and more river. It is said to bold the best trout fishing oo the moor, but has too many

walkers for my taste. Moorland fish-ing is hest conducted without an audience, and with a lot of room for backcasts, since the trout live in symhiosis with the surrounding gorse bushes: the trout get protection and the gorse bushes nourishment from the flies and bits of skin and clothing that fishermeo leave in them. The trout, though shy, are easy to fool and will take almost any small dry fly, hut the gorse bushes demand great cau-tion and elaborate equipment to cir-cumvent. Prohably the hest way to approach them is to wear thigh waders and move up the middle of the river with a long rod. This can look absurdly over-elaborate to walk-ers who believe you are contending only with the trout.

And then there's the Cherrybrook. For my part, I'll stick to the wild and miniature world here.

> Duchy of Cornwall fishing permits for Dartmoor can be obtained from The Forest Inn at Hexworthy or the Post Office at Postbridge (you also need the statutory NRA fishing

Dartmoor is surrounded by lovely fishing hotels, but these are not ideal if you are fishing the moor they tend to concentrate on the salmon and sea trout fishing nearby. If you want a good central location for Dartmoor wild trout fishing, try the Cherrybrook Hotel, Two Bridges Yelverton, PL20 6SP (01822 880260. This is a converted farmhouse in the middle of the moor, no more than 10 minutes' drive from any of the rivers.



Invasion of the moorland

'Letterboxing', an activity peculiar to Dartmoor, is taking its toll on wildlife. By Mike Prestage

ainstakingly pacing out the distance given in a cryptic clue, letterboxing veteran Pat Clatworthy arrives at a small clump of gorse and starts to search. of treasure hunt had a slow start. Per-To no avail. Even the leading aficiooados of the pastime sometimes fail.

For 142 years walkers have searched out the liny containers - or letterboxes - that are now hidden all over the 365 square miles of wilderness that makes up the Dartmoor National Park.

The letterboxes are hidden uoder rocks, in holes in the ground, oear landmarks - and occasionally in pubs. They contain a rubber stamp, which enthusiasts collect in a personal book to show they have found them.

moor guide James Perrott in 1854 who gives the chance to visit parts of the moor ouzel have been badly affected, their

placed a bottle at the remote Cranmere that are off the beateo track." Pool and circulated clues as to its whereabouts. Dartmoor's peculiar type rott's "letterbox" remained the only one until around 1932. By 1969 there were 13, and eight years later just 32. However, since then the number has mush- remote areas." roomed and there are now 3,500 to 4.000 - nobody is exactly sure - with thousands of enthusiasts hunting for

Pat Clasworthy, who has collected 22,000 of these rubber stamps, loves it. who take part. You can get a nine year old talking happily about boxes be has

Sam Mulligan, a 45-year-old HGV driver from Newton Abbot, says he first became interested in letterboxing he and his wife visited Dartmoor simply to walk their dog. "The attraction is that you get out on your own into some of the most

Such popularity, though, is taking its toll. Rather than follow well-laid paths clearly marked by the park authorities, letterboxers prefer to go it alone, using compasses and ordnance survey maps.

The park authorities are objecting. "There is a wide cross section of people The invasion of remote and often environmentally sensitive sites is of increasing concern, especially since birds such Letterhoxing was hegun hy Dart- found with a doctor or solicitor. It also as the golden plover and the ringed

letterboxers. As a result, this summer, devotees of what is hecoming a craze face a revised code of conduct.

At the moment, anybody can put a letterbox out and give clues to a few other people as to its whereabouts. A more formal arrangement also exists with a letterboxers' Bible - a catalogue of Dartmoor letterboxes and a list of clues - that is published each year. The national park wants less ad hoc placing of boxes and a more regulated system. The authorities also want to draw up new rules to place a time limit on boxes and to provide guidance on where new boxes should be

The letterboxers, though, are as unhappy as the authorities. At the to have a go, but the number of die-hard

nesting areas disturbed by eothusiastic moment the ultimate sanction of limiting the number of boxes has been held in abeyance, but even so the oew rules are only reluctantly being accepted.

Pat Clatworthy, the conduit between the park authorities and letterboxers explains: "We've always had a good relationship with the park authority, but the truth is they don't like the unofficial nature of letterboxing. They like everything to be regulated, but the fact our pastime isn't is a great part of the attraction."

She isn't convinced by the park authority's argument over damage caused by numbers. She maintains that although thousands of people take part, few are on the moor at any given time. Tourists like

enthusiasts is much smaller. Even so, the 100 Club, which issues a hadge to those who have amassed a century of boxes, has 11,000 members. The word "cluh", though, is a mis-

nomer - there is no formal organisation, and no regular meeting area. On the Sunday the clocks change, however, letterboxers traditionally meet at the Prison Officers' Club in Princetown to swop clues and discuss exploits.

The lack of formality lies at the heart of the park authorities' concern. Jeff Haynes, assistant park officer, explains: We see letterboxing as an appropriate activity within the national park, but we wanted to look at how we could effect rather more control than has been the case in the past."

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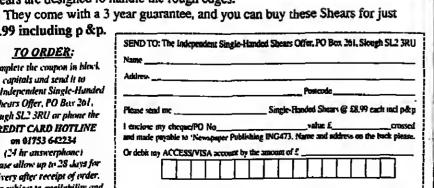
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'I'm not going near them,' said Mr X

lo varroa around here, touch wood. The parasite that attacks hees doesn't seem to have made it to our neck of the woods. On the contrary, things are humming, and swarms are whizzing in all directions.

Bee crises always seem to break at awkward moments. Our most recent started at 7.50 one evening, just after I had sat down with a pint of beer. A call came from the village: a swarm had settled in Mr X's gardeo. "I'm oot going oear them," he said. "Will you take them away?"

Since the bees were prohably mine, I felt morally obliged to help. At least two swarms had gooe from my hives during the past couple of along the lane, belonging to a neigh-

bouring farmer, John. higger than a rugger ball, but oot spread over the grass below, or in the easiest of positions. What lodged oo other hranches. you oeed is a clear space beneath



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tered, they drop into your skep all together.
The fascinating thing about a

swarm is its dryness and lightness. The massed bees (maybe 15,000 of them) look as moist and heavy as if days, and this could easily be one of they were coated and stuck together them. The snag was that I had oo with treacle. In fact they are bonevacant hive in which to house a new dry and light as feathers, and when colony - but luckily I knew of one you twitch the branch, they fall with a slippery rustie.

buring farmer, John.

Standing 00 top of a stepladder, craning awkwardy through the tree. threw some gear into the car and I held my skep beneath the swarm drove down. Mr X, hovering in his as best I could - and shook. About porch, pointed out the swarm in the two thirds of it fell into the box, the top of a plum tree: an oval lump rest landed oo a sheet which I had

Back on the ground, I turned the the swarm, so that wheo you give skep upside-down, with the bottom a sudden twitch to the branch open, and propped up so that strag-round which the bees have clusgiers could rejoin the main tribe. Inward migration confirmed that I laid a sheet of plywood at an angle, the queen was inside, but it took nearly an hour for all to be gathered in. Then at last I was able to close the skep and drive off.

Three minutes later, with dusk falling, I pulled up outside John's house and scrambled up a steep hank to make sure his empty hive was serviceable. Curses! It was empty no more. A swarm had found it and taken up residence during that afternoon. There on the flightboard was a beap of old wax chip-pings - proof that the new arrivals were busy spring-cleaning.

Now what? Back home, a rapid rout-about in the garden shed yielded up the rudiments of another hive: brood-chamber, or bottom unit, some combs, a crown-board, a galvanised lid. Hastily improvising, I assembled these in a corner of the orchard - only to realise that I had no hase-board, an essential component.

By then it was 9.50, and almost dark. The swarm was still fizzing in the back of the car. I sped to the workshop, found a piece of blockboard two feet square, and quickly carpentered up a rim of half-incb beading round three sides of it, so that the hrood-chamber could sit oo the rim, leaving the fourth side opeo as the bees' entrance.

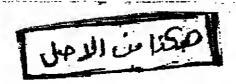
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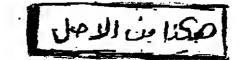
so that it sloped up to the doorway, and at last there came the critical moment of dumping the swarm at its new front door. (There is always a chance that the bees will take against the structure and push off

somewhere else.) One shake of the skep, and out they tumbled in a tawny flood that spread right across the four-foot board. After only a moment's hesitation, the leading scouts began scurrying in through the entrance, and by some form of communication indetectible to a human they

drew the whole swarm after them. Somewhere among them was the queen, and I knew that she was heing escorted by her closest retainers, which would be all round her - ahead, hehind, above and below - in a solid phalanx, keeping her warm and bearing her hodily forward. But by then it was so dark that, even with my face only three or four inches above the marching troops. I could not make

At 10pm I at last returned to my beer - and never has the second half of a pint gone down better. Soon I lowered aoother, secure in the knowledge that even if further swarms broke out to torment us, they could not do so before the







Bent old men in Connemara pubs will chill the blood with tales of the Junior Cert Maths paper

ducation is an admirable thing," cisely the same time and no sane citizen could possibly remain in ignorance of well to remember from time to time that nothing that is worth knowing can be taught." I was reminded of the line by a week spent in Ireland, where it is currently the exam season, an agony that is rather less domestic or ignorable of analysis and comment on the Junior in that country than in this one. Here only participants, their immediate relatives and disc jockeys anxious to cosy up to their audiences could be expected to share the sense of imminent ordeal. In share the sense of imminent ordeal. In any case, the sense of communal suffer sweetly comic edge to it, particularly if ing is dissipated by the existence of so many different examination boards. As a result, it's quite easy to spend the summer completely oblivious to the huddled masses waiting to be processed for emi-

their visas will pass scrutiny. In Ireland, oo the other hand, every

gration from childhood, hoping that

and Leaving Cert papers. You get the might easily plunge the country into a foreign exchange crisis.

you are used to a more phlegmatic (or indifferent) tradition. "No doubt tornadoes of relief swept the country as the magic letters 'Kinsella' featured," says Mr Pat Hunt, a teacher from County Wicklow, welcoming the appearance of a heavily backed poet in Paper 2 of the English exam. The dogs in the street

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demonstration of hyperbole, "and had he oot featured, coronary-care units would have been working overtime."

It's understandable, perhaps, that teach ers should get a bit wound-up - this is an audit on their own expertise, too-but the eligible pupil from Malio Head to Skibbereen sits the same papers at premonths," he continues in a practical as well. "Yesterday's Junior Cert higher-

level maths paper was the stuff of which and Japan, there are similar media exerlegends are made," writes Anne Byrne in the Irish Times's special section. "The second paper is traditionally regarded as the more difficult and this year the prophets of doom appeared to have been fully justified in their foreboding." Legends indeed. In 60 years' time, bent old men in Connemara pubs will tug on their stout and chill the blood with tales of the Junior Cert Maths paper of '96; pass by a deserted school at the wrong time of night and they say you can still hear the eerie howls of anguished children.

At second glimpse, this all begins to look distinctly envisible – the hadary of living in a small country, where commoning the second glimpse, the say of living in a small country, where commoning the second glimpse, the say of living in a small country, where commoning the second glimpse, the say of living in a small country, where commoning the second glimpse, the say of living in a small country where commoning the say of the say o

ing in a small country, where common experience might actually count for something. What can the English share oow, hut the stinging pleasure of being humil-iated by the Swiss at football? And that education should be the object of a gossipy nacional obsession only increases the sense of wistful admiration. In Taiwan

cises in examinatioo post-mortems, journalists in the latter country going so far as to analyse what the correct answer to every question should have been (an enterprise that seems likely only to lead to an increase in teenage suicides). Ireland's exam fever appears to place it in a cluh we might like to join.

But, while a third glimpse doesn't entirely undermine the sense of envy, it does raise some questions about what exactly an education is for. One headline after the opening day of exams read approvingly "First papers have a comforting air of familiarity". This was a relief to students and teachers alike, it hahit of mind. seemed, but the mood of contentment dido't last. Along came the legeodary Junior Certs Maths. Sister Marie McNamara from County Tipperary was unequivocal: "It was a test of how to face a very difficult challenge, and I doo't think that is fair." The day before, the

saying that it "contained no surprises". This wasn't an unusual sentiment incidentally - to put it crudely, much of the analysis seemed concerned less with the ingenuity or interest of the papers than with the degree to which they permitted, even coaxed, students to regurgitate the knowledge with which they had been fed. The effect was of a benign Gradgrindery - education reduced to the possession and ready production of curricular information, rather then the creation of a

Life, of course, is rarely so biddable as to exclude surprises or difficult challenges. Life's vocabulary includes no word for "fair". I doubt if there's much wrong with Ireland's exam system (it's educational record is, after all, rather better than ours), but you do wonder what lessons children might be learning from the indignation and relief with which their elders dissect its workings.

Don't talk to me about the Sixties

Courted by Dylan and Dali, Françoise Hardy was the essence of Sixties chic until she retreated from fame. Now she is courted by Damon from Blur and, after eight years' silence, has a new album. Philip Sweeney meets a French national treasure

itting in her garden, minimally made-up and slender in jeans and a tailored jacket, Françoise Hardy looks less like a dignitary of French pop than a rather-chic university lecturer, or possibly a society psychotherapist - or, indeed, an astrologer, which she has been for years (she has a daily radio programme on the subject). Behind us, through the plant-filled conservatory. Hardy's living-room would prove a tricky one for Lloyd Grossman peeping through the keyhole: hlack walls and leather furniture; evidence of serious interest in alcohol and tohacco (four decanters of cognac, hip flasks, pipe and ashtrays on the table); well-stocked bookshelves - Françoise Sagan, Isabel Allende, PD James, Raymond Queocau, Woody Allen, the philosopher Emmanuel Berl (on record as remarking philosophically that even an old dressing-gown on Hardy would look like Chanel); hut no evidence of musical activity.

We're talking about the Sixties, when Harrly acquired the soubriquet L'endive du twist (the spindly French chicory, not the squat Sainshury's salad variety) and was sought after by everyone from Bob Dylan, who allegedly insisted she visit him at the Olympia concert hall or he wouldn't play the second half, to Salvador Dali, with whom she ate ortolans for the firstand only time.

Hardy would rather talk about her oew record, and her songwriting, a body of work spanning three and a half decades and puhlished by her own company Kundalini, but she's resigned to the Sixties. "Everybody wants to ask me about the Sixties - even my record company, wheo they do a biograpby, they speak of the Beatles and the Rolling Stooes, who I had almost nothing to do with, or Courrèges or Paco Rabanne, as if it's constantly oecessary to bring more names to make me more interesting. The latest additioo is Damoo Albarn of Blur. whose enthusiasm for Hardy - he persuaded her to sing oo Bhur's "To The End" - is part of the undertow of cult interest that has just led Virgin Records to prise her out of an eight-year

recording silence. Hardy is being rediscovered as a oational treasure, an icoo of the pop age. Personally, I'll always associate Françoise Hardy with a coffee bar in Torquay to which I escaped during a family holiday from time to time to indulge in furtive experiments with Players cigarettes and to fritter shillings oo the juke-box, with its promineotly displayed sleeve of the Hardy dehut EP, Tous Les Garçons et Les Filles, then on its way to sales of two million copies. This was in 1962, wheo female pop stars still meant cocktail-gowned croooers like Connie Francis, Shirley Bassey or Brenda Lee, with a leavening of early Tamla, and the Hardy package devastated my Adrian Mole-like sensibilities. There was the soog, with its clear plaintive melody and its sad romantic lyrics ("mais moi, je vais seule, par la rue la Montaigne..."); the voice, so simple, so intimate, so sophisticated somehow; and the image - Parisian, jolie-laide, with that long straight hair, that full mouth, those frank, soulful eyes. And this was three years before the advent of the mini skirt that Hardy adopted with such demure aplomh. She was never overthy sexy - a French frieod recalls his parents, driven to apoplexy by Brigitte Bardot, whom they regarded as a national scandal, always liked Françoise Hardy for her apparent diffidence and modesty. This was not a pose, apparently. In 1968, Hardy ahandoned live performance after six years. feeling that her voice and stage manner were oot up to it, and she became notably reclusive, so worrying did she find the prospect of being stared at in cafés.

Hardy was born in 1944 to an absentee father from Normandy and a Parisian mother, who brought her up with difficulty of a job as an accounts clerk. Her childhood



bracketed the post-war rise of Saint Germain des Près, where the traditional music-hall chanson of Piaf, Treoet et al diversified into a plethora of jazz and chanson clubs and a new generation of stars appeared: Brassens, Brel, Mootand, Ferre, Juliette Greco, the Muse of Saint Germain and lover of Miles Davis, Barbara, "la chanteuse de minuit", Serge Gainsbourg, the link between the Saint Germain set

and the rock generation that succeeded it. Hardy's early stamping-ground was not the Left Bank, but a quartier of the Ninth Arrondissement known as La Trinité, between the great department stores of the Boulevard Haussmann, the Trinité church and Pigalle, with its own claim to chanson fame. Around the corner from the Hardy flat, in the Rue Chaptal, was the parental apartment of Lucien Ginzburg, as Serge Gainsbourg was then known. Elsewhere in the quartier lived Jean-Philippe Smet (aka Johnny Halliday) and Claude Moine (Eddy Mitchell of the Chaussettes Noires), both of whom Hardy remembers leading neighbourhood bands of admiring proto-rockers. Another Trinité contemporary was Jacques Dutrone, an idiosyncratic and talented actor and singer whom Hardy subsequently married and whose taste for large cigars and fine alcohol presumably explains some of the contents of the black room.

Hardy's teenage experiments with song were encouraged by her family. Her father made a rare appearance to buy her a guitar when she passed her baccalaureate, and her mother put her forward for an audition with the record

She was also bemused for years by the idea that she might be attractive, having been convinced from childhood that she was gawky and plain. "It's funny," she says. "Sometimes I look at old pictures and see I was quite good-looking, but all my life my grandmother told me I wasn't. She was the opposite of me -short legs and a big ass..." The American slang sounds incongruous in Hardy's punctilious mouth.

Hardy was born in 1944 to an absentee father. Germain chanson line; not so much that of the theatrical Juliette Greco, but an alternative strand of young singers with guitars, no make-up, understated little voices and poetic lyrics now-forgotteo artists like Anoe Silvestre, Nicole Louvier and Marie-Jose Neuville, "la collégienne de la chanson". And while stars like Johnny Halliday rushed to embrace every new treod from America with slavish abandon, Hardy actually decreased her early dependency, dispensing with a little Buddy Holly-like hiccup mannerism she had acquired, shunning the path towards universal Whitney Houstoo-isation later trod by artists like Céline Dion.

As she matured, Hardy not only honed her own personal, mildly despairing songwriting hut chose with discrimination and alacrity some of the best works on offer from leading professionals.

Not surprisingly, she was sought out by Serge Gainsbourg, the most influential and creative French songwriter of the generation, whose taste in female voices was more or less defined by Hardy's (he wrote for her her great hit Comment Te Dire Adieu"). "Serge adored Françoise. He never wanted to write for theatrical singers like Piaf," said Jane Birkin, Gainsbourg's long-time companion and muse, whose own voice Gainsbourg tutored minutely in the direction of Hardyesque simplicity, and who remembers that Tous les Garçons et les Filles was the first record she ever bought.

Typically, the idea that she might be influeotial gets short shrift from Hardy, and the mention of one Hélène, a young TV singer whose transparent Hardy pastiche has become very popular lately, evokes only a flurry of picturesque epithets like benêtte, munuche, and gnongnon, all of which meao geoerally idiotic.

In spite of her arm's-length attitude to show husiness, Hardy has been a magnet for trend-setters. The sleeve of her 1968 Comment To Dire Adieu album bears a striking charcoal portrait of Hardy by Jean-Paul Goude, who went on to artdirect Grace Jones, the French Revolution Bicentenary parade and a thousand expensive TV commercials. A couple of years ago, Malcolm McLaren (whom Hardy had never heard of) per-suaded her to sing with Catherine Deneuve oo a cliché-ridden musical tribute to Paris, which Hardy defends vigorously. "No, really, it's an

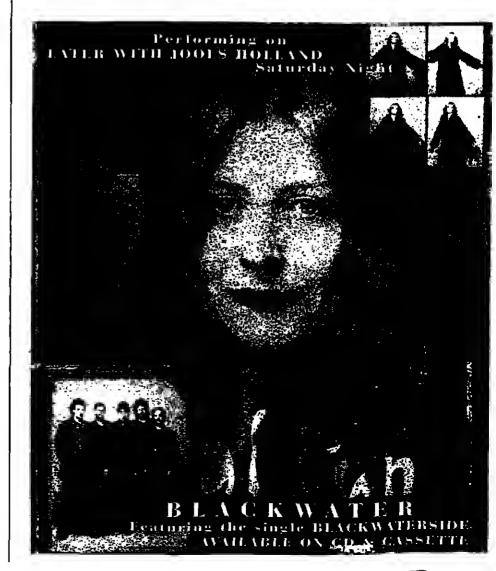
excellent record, you should persist... What is fascinating about Hardy is clearly the entire package, like her fellow cult figure Gainsbourg. This includes her chic, her reclusiveness, her originality and her frankness (the occasional extreme political view which emerges as a result of the latter is in itself refreshing). It also includes her sadness and her vulnerahility, which suffuse the heavy electric guitar mixes of the new album, hut which Hardy says are largely restricted to her artistic life. "It's oot

so easy to write songs about happiness." "The artists I prefer are those who have their own unmistakahle universe," she says. "But it's so rare to achieve that. Most people don't really know me artistically. The proof is always having to talk about the Sixties and the Beatles." True up to a point. But there are a surprisingly large number of people out there who appear to like what they do know of la Hardy.

'Le Danger' is out now on Virgin Records



'It's funny, sometimes I look back at old pictures and see I was quite good-looking' – Françoise Hardy as she was (above) and (inset) as she is today – chic, sad, vulnerable, frank and original in equal measure



COMEDY

Bob Downe, Cochrane Theatre Any US comic who can make his entry to "Yankee Go Home" is OK by James Rampton

t sometimes seems that Americans are taking over the British comedy circuit in the same way that they're taking over British privatised utilities. That wouldn't much matter if they were all as good as Rich Hall. Twinkling under beetling brows and bushy eyehrows. Hall is a refreshing change from our home-grown stand-ups who search for that mythical common ground with references to Thunderbirds and Chopper hikes. Any American who comes on to a London stage to the sound of "Yankee Go Home" obviously has a keen sense of self-mockery. "What kind of desperate loser would come to a show on a night like this?" he asked, as he immediately felt the heat and slung him leather include in the sense." his leather jacket in a heap on the stage. "I wouldn't have come to see me on a night like this."

Hall's knack is to come at you from so far out of the left-field that he's almost off the pitch. Early on in his show at the Cochrane on Thursday, he decided to sing a romantic song for a couple in the front row out on their first date. So, naturally enough, he whipped out a copy of Loot and started singing what he claimed were random lines from it to the accompaniment of an electric organ: "Ford Escort. 376,000 miles. As new. Needs windscreen ... 30 metres of Number 4 grit sandpaper. No timewasters, please ... Sing along if you know the words." Not the sort of routine you'd expect from a "why are relationships so difficult?" raconteur.

Prowling the stage in a blue T-shirt and shabby jeans and taking sips from a can of Im-Bru, Hall has mastered the art of the inconsequential. "You know what I'm saying?" he wondered at one point, "Good, because I've no idea." Like his Wild West forebears, however, he is very quick on the draw when he has to be. Discovering that a member of the audience was from East Grinstead, he immediately launched into a contemplation of one of life's great mysteries. "There is no Grinstead, is there? Don't you ever wake up in the morning and think. Where is Grinstead?"

And if all else fails, Hall, a writer on Late Night with David Letterman. has a handy stockpile of good, old-fashioned gags to draw on. (He told the millionth of his career on Thursday and hy way of celebration proceeded to devour a slice of cake with a candle in it.) "Do you know how many Vietnam veterans it takes to screw in a lightbulb?" he asked quietly, before hreaking into a manic shout.
"You don't, 'cause you weren't there, man." A
healthy reminder to all those Brits who believe Americans are born with an irony bypass.

> 8pm, tonight Cochrane Theatre, Southampton Row, London, WC1. Booking: 0171-242 7040

THEATRE Jude the Obscure, Lyric Hammersmith, London

Mike Alfreds strips bare Hardy's tale of marital woe and thwarted ambition and risks farcical overload in the pursuit of tragic simplicity. By Paul Taylor



Method acting-Geraldize Alexander as Sue Bridehea and Martin Marquez as Jude Fawley Photo: Stuart Morris

n terms of general tone and comportment, Jude the Obscure and Private Lives have about as much in common as Blithe Spirit and One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich. What, then, is direc-

and One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisorich. What, then, is director Mike Alfreds up to putting his dramatisation of Hardy's grim novel in rep with Coward's flighty comedy?

Watching Alfred's stark, stripped-down evocation of Jude, you realise that there's a method in the madness of Madness and Method, the company that has brought these works together. Like Coward's Elyot and Amanda, Jude, the stone-mason who dreams of studying at Oxford, and the emancipated, compulsively contradictory Sue Bridehead have a deep, volatile affinity for each other that their marriage to guite unsuitable partners complicates other that their marriage to quite unsuitable partners complicates and confirms. But whereas Coward's theatrical egotists can defy convendon with arrogant impunity in the age of the gay divorcee, Jude and Sue are brought low by Victorian bigotry in a book that questions the marriage tie from a number of angles.

These similarities and differences hit you because of Alfreds's spare, diagrammatic staging of *Jude*, the whole novel brought to life by the same four actors who will next week appear in *Private* Lives. One intractable problem the adaptor faces is that, compared to the satisfyingly economic and stylised symmetries of the partner swaps in the Coward, the chronic vacillating in the Hardy, which seems realistic enough on the page, veers towards wearisome farce on the stage because of the necessary plot accelera-tions. Then again, despite the involving intensities of the Mabler music that underscores moments here, a performance style wherehy the actors slip out of their main characters to narrate,

offer authorial pronouncements, or to enact minor figures, keeps

you, in my view, at a slight distance from the turmoil.

There are certain features that the staging throws into splendid relief. The high wooden Gothic window frames that get whirled around sharply emphasise Jude's outsider status in the Christminster (Oxford) he has romanticised, while the fact that, at critical junctures, Sue is so often stationed behind a window brings out how she needs the esfent of a harrier between them hrings out how she needs the safety of a barrier between them before she can be passionate with Jude. I wasn't sure about the decidedly queasy-looking puppet who represents both the hero as a boy and Jude's son, Little Father Time, since the two have quite different modes of fictional existence. But the uncluttered look of the piece allows for stage pictures of keen lucidity, as when the bed on which Jude is dying is juxtaposed to the bed on which the neurotically repentant Sue has sacrificed herself to married propriety.

The performances of Geraldine Alexander, Martin Marquez, Abigail Thaw and Simon Robson are commentaries on, as much as embodiments of, the characters but expertly convey the brit-tle, frigid, calculating flirtatiousness of Sue, the writhing humiliation and anguished perseverance of Jude, Arabella's ripe animal cunning and the depressed desiccation of Phillotson. It will be fascinating to see how this quartet fare in the rather more glamorous world of Private Lives and in Flesh and Blood, the new Philip Osment play that will complete the repertoire.

Booking: 0181-741 2311. To 27 July

PHOTOGRAPHY

Offside! Manchester

Jane Richards realises that a football video doesn't have to mean Cup highlights

Mark Wallinger's fastidiously constructed blue and black tracings of football photographs from newspaper sports pages must have a compelling appeal for the avid fan - to see Eric Cantona sketched in mid-tackle must offer endless opportunities for tactical analysis. But what do such drawings have to say for the rest of us? This kind of line-drawing confirms my warst fear - that football is second only to trainspotting in its tediousness. But, for that reason alone, Offside! Contemporary artists and football, an exhibition commissioned by the Institute of Interna-

tion commissioned by the Institute of International Visual Arts for Manchester City Art

tional Visual Arts for Manchester City Art Gallery, is curiously compelling. The artists – from Britain, Argentina, Columbia and Mexico – explore the visual and didactic messages transmitted by the football experience as it goes into orbit for Euro 96. Even if it's an experience you'd rather not be part of, it's still an education.

Glaswegian artist Roderick Buchanan suggests that the football fan has the ability to feel at home in any European city because a football pitch is the same the world over. Buchanan's message is conveyed by standing slap-bang in the middle of four empty pitches and slowly revolving his camera around the regimented ground. On four TV monitors are pitches in Manchester, Nantes, Glasmonitors are pitches in Manchester, Nantes, Glasgow and Budapest, but you have to stand there for some time to spot the difference.

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Nick Waplington's four large-scale colour team portraits are tacky blow-ups of collectable sticker cards framed in high street-style gold frames. The series is titled Best of British, but it's an ironic title—the portraits are of foreign nationals in British teams (Rösler, Klinsmann, Cantonn and Ginola).

There's something about the line-up iconography of uniformed footballers, with their set expressions and their hands held rigidly behind their backs. Foothalling pin-ups are not like film star pin-ups - more an identity parade. This is the rough end of glamour, something that Freddy Contreras exploits in his rows of gleaming red high-heeled Vivienne Westwood shoes fitted with aluminum football stude. You can almost smell the sweat on the changing-room walls.

Crispen Jones's lovingly simplistic large-scale photograph of a hattered football given by Captain W P Nevill to one of his platoons at the Buttle of the Somme stands out. Nevill offered a prize to the first platoon to kick its ball up to the German trenches during the first wave of the assault near Montaubon. It's simply a beautiful image with a delicious tale of European rivalry to match.

Offisidel, Manchester City Art Galleries to I September

TV REVIEW Scotland v England (C4). The programme that sweated blood to get two countries to talk to each other on the eve of conflict. By Jasper Rees

Scotland v England, the pub dehate. metamorphose into pissed night. Scotland He once, for his sins, wrote an enterness, of England's fulk iconography.

A noisy testosterone-fuell When the channel's high-minded in triumphalist jockularity, an excuse for founders came up with the idea of a station that would cater for those whose voices are not usually heard on television. Cosgrove's pawmardler of arts and completely interest and completely intere it might not have been foreseen that Frientertainment at Channel 4, but he also up when someone is trying to make a day night on Channel 4 would eventually moonlights as a professional Scotsman. point about the meagreness, the tame-

loaded against the home team when Gor-sharper harbs went to Hancock. Even that Robert the Bruce took tips on bai- section, Kennedy claimed that while minorities could allow no other result.

though he didn't write his script, Hancock encounter on the subs' bench (in the real has a wry personal line in sarkiness that contest it won't even get as near the pitch makes words put into his mouth sound as that). There was copious use of the land midfield (mentioning no names). Needless to say, Scotland walked a

Today hrings the most emotionally fraught football match played on our island for 30 years etc etc. To celebrate the event, and huttin on Euro 96 like sozeded gatecrashers. Channel 4 gave us

The best running joke of the proceedings belonged to Father Ted's Dermot totallers and alcoholic ne'er-do-wells when dressed in a kilt is somehow manly. Morgan. Though referee, in the spirit of when dressed in a kilt is somehow manly. Celtic fraternity he flagrantly supported the Comish cause. In fact most of the location of the loc Nessie is probably fictional, the Cornish cat is probably real, and therefore altogether more awesome. If only we could say the same for the animal in the Eng-

Needless to say, Scotland walked all three-foot high Hadrian's Wall kept the Scots at bay for hundreds of years, and Ciceronian class. In the mythical beast A channel with a remit to cater for

Next week on the arts pages

MONDAY Meet Celeste Dandeker - a choreographic case of anything they can do, CandoCo Dance Co can do too TUESDAY That Neil Morrissey, he's a [expletive deleted] lad WEDNESDAY The heat and beat of Bahia's candomble cult come to town, courtesy of the Bando de Teatro Olodum, Paul Simon's favourite boys from Brazil

THURSDAY Stanley Kubrick - dude or rube? FRIDAY Who needs a well when you can have lottery cash on tap? Lilian Baylis's people's palace joins the re-build queue





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OVERVIEW

Manichester City Art Galleries present. photos, drawings, scarves, flags, videos, films, stickers, translated chains and other sports culture debris for those filling their

Verdi's powerful meditation on private passions and political expediency, staged in Freach, by Luc Borley, sung by Kanta-Mattile, and this month steeper to welch Roberto Alagna.

About to be married (maybe) Winona Ryder listens to, and learns from, a quitting circle. Directed, written, produced and mostly. starring women: Bancroft, Burstyn, Kate Neiligan et al.

THE FILM

AMERICAN QUILT

critical view

Concusty competing thought labe.
Richards (above), you take almost smell the sweet on the changing room walls. The Guardian wondered if these exhibitions are for people who know about sit, or people who know about football, or both? The relegraph, however, liked Football Eever's collection of games and pozzles. Visually Inspiring but otherwise found this exhibition of two balves, positively waters, the works on show are other slight and

Edward Sectarson found Alagna "not in the best of white." praised Matilia's "glorious sound" but rued the production's slow hum: a safe, sound, but hardly sweeping proposition." The Guardian begged to differ.

This officeration has been a supported by the foundation of the foundation begged to differ. This outstanding Don Carlos is all about superfative transport. The Times was grandly unimpressed. If thought Burdy's dreamly designed production, atmateurish to an anacceptable degree. We are used to

Ryan Gilbey wasn't expecting much but had a good time. "The movie feels snappy and also substantial... in a genre where love is also substantial... In a genre where love is blind and unconditional, the uncertain ending has a faintly subversive scent."
"Worked out with sympathy but surprisingly little dramatic force" carped The Guardian, as head to the effect by The Times. echoed to the rafters by The Times:
"Beautifully stitched but short on significance... where the film triumphs is in its casting."

on view

Offside at Machester City Art Galleres At the Royal Opera House (8171-(0161 236 5244) till I Sept 4000) 17 17, 25, 28 June at 6p Football Fever at Manchester Central Library June at 5pm and 4 July at 6pm (0161 234 1900) th 27 June

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15 certificate, running time 116 minutes. At the Empire, Leciester Square, London, and on general release across the country.

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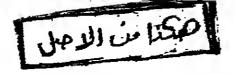


The original French adds glamous, as does Alagna; but a decidely mixed start to the



Sentimental but agreeable addition to the women's picture boom. Check out the powerhouse performances.





The rise of the blue-eyed outlaw

Jay McInerney, once the hip Big Apple brat-packer, now has his sights on bigger themes. By John Walsh

The Last of the Savages by Jay McInemey Bloomsbury, £15,99

round the turn of the Nineties, you could have been forgiven for assuming that the writers of New York's "Brat Pack" had decided to deal only in a single plot: an inverted morality tale, in which a group of rich, callow and high-fashion Manhattan sophisticates chat idly together while some scene of cor-ruption, cruelty or murder is perpetrated in their midst and they barely notice. The characters could be young and zomboid (Less Than Zero) or clever and studenty (The Secret History), employed and wasted (Bright Lights, Big City), unemployed and wasted (Story of My Life), rich and successful (American Psycho) or classy but brainless (A Cannibal in Manhattan) – but they all seemed to par-

take of the same sterile zeitgeist.

Jay McInerney was notable among them for his spot-on mimicry of New York party conversation, Valley-girl vapidity and cokesnorter's etiquette; but when Brightness Falls, his last novel, began with a post-Yuppie Manhattan dinner party interrupted by the arrival

of a street lowlife, you began to wonder: is there anything else these guys can write about?

I'm happy to report that McInerney's new novel offers a far more ambitious arena for his narrative skills—nothing less than three decades of Stateside history, in which the changing image of America is embodied in the existential shape-shifting of the main characters.

The narrator Patrick Keane, is an Irich-

The narrator, Patrick Keane, is an Irish-Catholic middle-class Eng Lit fan from a New England mining town whose high-school roommate is Will Savage, the cool, bearded, blues-loving scion of a Memphis dynasty of right-wing Southern entrepreneurs. From the start we know we are meant to admire Savage - with his extemporised lectures on the musical roots of slavery, his wad of racketeering money, his way with girls
-as Keane becomes (slightly implausibly) his best friend. We know because the book starts with four instances of people asking about him, thus landing him squarely in the realm of mythology. And there are his eyes, variously described as "a brilliant supernatural blue, as startling as the sudden flash of the light on top of a police car", theo as "bright blue verging to violet, like an acetylene flame", then as "raptorish".

As Patrick gets more preppie (he makes the lacrosse team, he befriends the "elitist jocks"), Savage gets wilder, gradually acquiring the trappingsof every countercultural snob you ever encountered in the early Seventies: hash, acid, beat poetry, Hermann Hesse, gurus, mantras, CIA coospiracies, you came it. Patrick visits the family homestead, enduring Will'a excruciating backchat with the Mammy-like servants and cherking out the raw blues talent in direct local checking out the raw blues talent in dingy local beer parlours. He also encounters Will's manipulative and bigoted daddy, Cordell, and falls for a sexy sophomore called Lollic Baker, who is destined to reappear at key points in the story Thurman. Will falls in love with a black girl, Patrick gets blooded on a duck shoot, and between the southern-Gothic bedonism of Memphis and Sixties college life in New England, McInerney pretty well covers the waterfront for baby-boomer nostalgies.

But where is this story bound? Everywhere you look, there are identities being shed and acquired, oppositions aching to be synthesized: the preppie who wants to be a hippie, the white boy who



McInerney: a spot-on mimic slides late predictability

wants to be black, the Southern patriarch who co-opts the Yankee intruder, the pressure of history on the impulses of the present, the homo-sexual panic of the American het, the freedom generation heading for Vietnam... McInerney stides the counters around with skill and there's a frieson of excitement halfway through the book as you sense a cataclysm drawing close. Will Patrick break free of the law-school rut he seems

ern type and join the Klan? Will they go to war?
The quality of his prose keeps stiding and changing too. Sometimes you reel with dismay at the stodgy cod-Mandarin of the oarration: "I couldn't even imagine a girl yielding to me, except under the influence. Never mind that she was dating my friend's older brother, I was able

Lights form, as when regarding little Jimmy, an accordion-playing cousin: "Tiny as he was, my cousin seemed at times merely a passive appendage of the respirating instrument, a freakish child attached to a primitive life-support

machine, trying to eke out another day oo earth."

Amazingly, Mcinerney goes for a long, downward slide into predictability. Patrick goes to Yale and gets ever more stuffy. Savage hits the intelbecomes a record-company mogul, his marriage to a feisty black girl subject to rollercoaster swings. And for 150 pages, we're given a chronicle of interesting times – Martin Luther King, race hatred, death, arson, moon landings, Edward Kennedy - in which the characters check in and out, acting typically. The past comes to haunt the story in an 1861 diary, detailing the execution of a troublesome black, but its relevance to 1971 is seemed on offer. For all its chameleon skill, it hardly explored. It's revealed that Patrick has been never quite decides what it really is.

oursing a homosexual crush on Will Savage all

along, and the book ends with a clever coup de theatre involving sperm and the titular family line.

but by theo the so-what factor has taken over. Jay McInemey is a writer of immense charm. His govel pulls you geotly into its folds, surrounds you with agreeable characters, amusing dialogue and pacey jump-cuts. But The Last of the Savages can't help being a big disappointbuddy theme nods towards umpteeo major American fictions, from Gatsby to On the Road; its big-house idyll derives from Brideshead, while the climactic scenes with Will Savage crazily ensconced in a tower could have come from a dozen Hammer movies - it ends

Child life

Esther Freud on a Fifties fable

The Orchard on Fire by Shena Mackay Heinemann, £12.99

Thena Mackay's new novel is about the powerlessness of children, their ability to keep a secret and the adults who abuse them. It is 1953, Coronation year, the year of Stalin's death and the ascent of Everest, but for April Harlency, aged eight, it is the unforgettable year that she meets Ruby, her first, best friend.

Mackay introduces us to April, 40 years on, making do for friendship with an irritating upstairs neighbour. She is a schoolleacher now, divorced and childless, clearing a space for herself in an overgrown London garden. Mackay, whose most passionate prose is reserved for nature, takes April back to Stonebridge, the village of her childhood. immersing us with relish in the small-time quiet of the country, "the hot still breath of comfields and the took-took took of hens." On the surface Stonebridge is a children's heaven, willow and alder, a water vole on a green island of crow's-foot in midstream, and the orchard of the title is "a dark-green and purple blue paradise where bloomy plums dropped from the low trees into your hands."

April and Ruby make a camp here in an abandoned railway carriage, adopting "the low hoot of the owl" as code. It is a private place to glory in their friendship and to stay safely out of reach of Ruby's bullying parents - that is, until Mr Greenidge appears.

In Mr Greenidge, Mackay has created a wonderfully sinister character. Jewial and modest, long-suffering and sty, with an invalid wife and a salami sausage of a dog called Liesel. On first meeting Mr Greenidge, April wonders if she's seen him before, and from that moment hardly a day passes that we don't come across him. He loiters with his dog in Lovers Lane, ambles past the school, and calls to April with the low hoot of the owl, so that she and Ruby are forced to switch to "the lone cry of the peewit" to outwit him. Mackay captures perfectly the passion and humour of their friendship, the shared books, treasures and jokes. But against this atmosphere of lightheartedness, of lairy-lights and teacakes, a small, sad drama is being

April is invited to the Greenidges on Sundays to play with Liesel and cheer up the housebound Mrs G. Bless me. I've gone and forgotten the sugar!" - and while April searches for it in the unfamiliar kitchen, Mr Greenidge comes up behind her and presses his body against hers, tickling her neck with his salt-and-pepper beard. "You won't tell will you?" And,

of course. April is too polite to do so. Mackay undercuts the warmth of April's family life with a real and creeping dread. Her parents, Betty and Percy, are cosy people with a period language of their own who fail to guess the cause of their daughter's distress.

For all the riotous descriptions of nature. the over-packed images too full of adjectives. this is a subtle book. Its themes are simply and beautifully constructed and the beguiling after the last page.

On April's return journey, in middle age. she passes the Greenidges' old house. "Sometimes, in memory, that pink quilted bed was as innocuous as a rose, and I think, what Mr Greenidge did wasn't really so bad." But with her next breath she remembers how he corroded her childhood with fear, anxiety and deceit, and we are reminded of the ability of children to push their suffering to one side.



Susie Boyt on the trail of riches and beauty from Liverpool to New York

Jalerie Windsor's second novel, Saint and Warrior by Valerie Windsor, Viking, £13.50 Saint and Warrior, is the memoir of a woman convicted of murder, who writes to us from her prison cell. The narrative is interspersed with weekly conversations between the her work in the prison library and occasional visits from members of her family and her solicitor, who is putting together an appeal oo her behalf.

From her earliest beginnings, Sandra Bagnall recognises that she has star quality. The women who gaze and coo at her in her pram declare her a beauty queen, destined for the films like that Elizabeth Taylor. Constantly hearing her angelic looks numerous artists to paint his new wife, associated with truth and goodness, infant Sandra, who bas inherited ber African father's height and bone structure and her Irish mother's luminous complexion and sparkly eyes, hatches an amhition to become a saint. She pictures the people flooding to admire the "translucent beauty of her soul" shining through her hillowing robes. This fantasy is rudely shattered when, aged 11, Sandra accidentally kills her little sister.

blame, only comfort for the loss of her of growing up, it is the Bildungsroman sibling) is set up as the explanation for elements that are most effective: the the direction of the rest of Sandra's life, the years of passive, aimless living, culminating in the murder of her husband in her thirties - perhaps a final attempt to win some recognition for the part she played in her sister a death.

the transition from nervous patient in who is lost and hurt, trying to find a a nursing home to Kathy Kuriakis, world where she can live numbly, and Page Three girl, the national pin-up not have to risk having any feelings.

The Cast Iron Shore by Linda Grant, Picador, £15.99 heroine and her prison psychiatrist, that most Falkland heroes preferred,

seems odd, because I would have thought Sandra lacked the tenacity necessary for that level of celebrity. Her marriage to the internacional art collector, Dysart Stevens, complete with villas and Upper East side apart-ments, seems a little trite as well as unlikely: he the passionless aesthete, she another beautiful thing for his collection. When Dysart commissions and hangs the pictures in a room, transferring his affections gradually from his wife onto the paintings, it does seem as though the author is tak-

ing us through a set-piece.
As the child Sandra longs for glamour, sainthood and supermodeldom, so the author seems to require a passage of gracious living in her novel, for fear it will become too ordinary. Yet Windsor is at ber best when dealing with ordinary things. In a book The suppressed guilt that this inci-dent produces (Sandra receives no nightmare, and a conventional story that is divided between fairy-tale, curt and vicious rivalry between San-Billy Fox in his transit van; the intense discomfort she feels in Billy's parents' house, which is all peach and bleach. Some of the more extreme events in this novel do not quite ring true.

Sandra's subsequent associations with a series of kind but shady father figures convincingly define her as a girl

The Cast Iron Shore by Linda Grant century, bringing issues of race, equality and prejudice within its scope. It is also a book that is deeply obsessed with fashion. Sybil Ross's childhood is lent a powerful glamour by the fact that her Jewish father is a furrier. She brims with pride at the sorts of conversadons that go on in her house:

"T'I think about a coat for the com-

No, she's too young for fox. It's a middle-aged woman's fur."

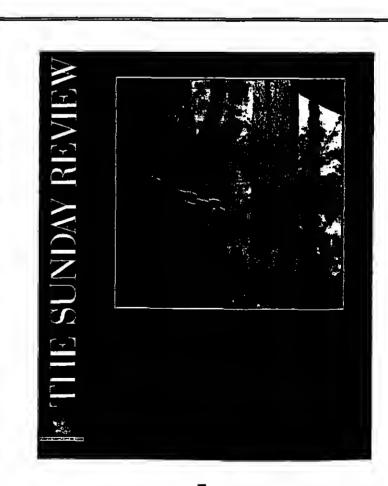
"Persian broadtail?" "Too sophisticated. Chinchilla." "Divine," my mother exclaimed.

Witty, young and chic." Sybil's mother is obsessed with clothes, using them like a drug to disguise the pain of ber life. She takes day trips from Liverpool to London, cruising the dress shops, fantasising about her life as a rich London lady and speaking like a magazine: "How soon dra and her elder sister Beverley; the growth of her adolescent passion for material is oot good." The fashion details are mesmensing a mauve suede glove bere, a ballerina-length gown there, a coral-pink tweed jacket. a pair of Mirasilk stockings. In fact, in a book where the main characters are so disciplined about eating, the emphasis oo clothes comes to seem like the gorgeous descriptions of food that

Yet Sybil has a guilty secret - her mother is German. As a half-Jewish girl she bolds the enemy within, and this division is offered as the reason for her dissatisfaction, her restlessness. After a romance with a Jewish man is thwarted by the discovery of her true parentage, Sybil emharks on a long romance with Stan, a hisexual, snappy-dressing Liverpudian sailor whom she eventually follows to New York. There her fashion knowledge and good looks land her jobs in a series of department stores, where both she and Stan make much use of her staff discount.

One New Year, when Stan is away, lured to the dance halls of Harlem, Sybil falls for Julius, a hlack American activist and "autodidact" whose outlook is severe (his romande code is "if you have an itch - scratch it"), and who teaches Sybil the shallowness of her ways. He educates her in his philosopby, has her wrestling with her own superficiality, and introduces her to the Communist Party when McCarthyism is at its beight.

This is the part of the novel I found least attractive. Sybil's education and subsequent hardships, although not unconvincing, are a huge wrench from what we have come to expect, but then Grant's novel is very ambitious in its range. It takes us from department store to political rally, from dance halls to a life in exile, atmospherically recreating wartime Liverpool, post-war New York, and ending with an elderly Sybil reviewing her lot in Loodon in the 1980s. It is chiefly memorable, however as an intellige of investigation of the differ-ent choices available to a beautiful woman drifting through life during a contemporary novelists often favour. period of great world change.



The forbidden forests: an exclusive report by Geoffrey Lean on the stealthy privatisation of Britain's woodlands

Steven Berkoff, stung by the reviews of his book, bites back

Ian Jack, editor of 'Granta', defends his controversial choice for the Best of Young American Novelists

IN TOMORROW'S INDEPENDENT ON SUNDAY

The Puccini of cinema grows up



Is he the architect of emotional cathedrals, a visionary technophile exploring the eternal verities? Or is he a saccharined philistine, peddling comic-strip sentimentality? J.G. Ballard, a one-time collaborator, defends the reputation of Steven Spielberg

teven Spielberg poses a huge problem for film critics and *cinéaster*. Despite his immense suc-cess, with several of the highest-grossing films of all time, his momentous themes and mastery of the film medium, they remain convinced that a deep flaw runs through his entire work. This flaw seems easy to define - a compound of sentimentality, over-flamboyaot spectacle, and too close a reliance on the rhythms and style of the

comic strip.
Yet the films endure, and clearly grow richer with age, vehicles of breathtaking power and glamour that cruise effortlessly through our imaginations like a fleet nf gold Cadillacs. The qualities that the cineaster see as weaknesses I see as Spielberg's strengths, and as the reason why he is one of today's most important film-makers, the producer-director who single-hand-edly saved the Hnllywood film when it threatened to founder in the Seventies.

Besides, sentimentality and spectacle have a valuable place in the arts, as in the operas of Puccini—though there are puritans who feel slightly queasy at the thought of Tosca and Madama Butterfly. In many ways Spielberg is the Puccini of cinema, one of the highest compiling and a little and the purity of the purity highest compliments I can pay. He may be a little too sweet for some tastes, but what melodies, what

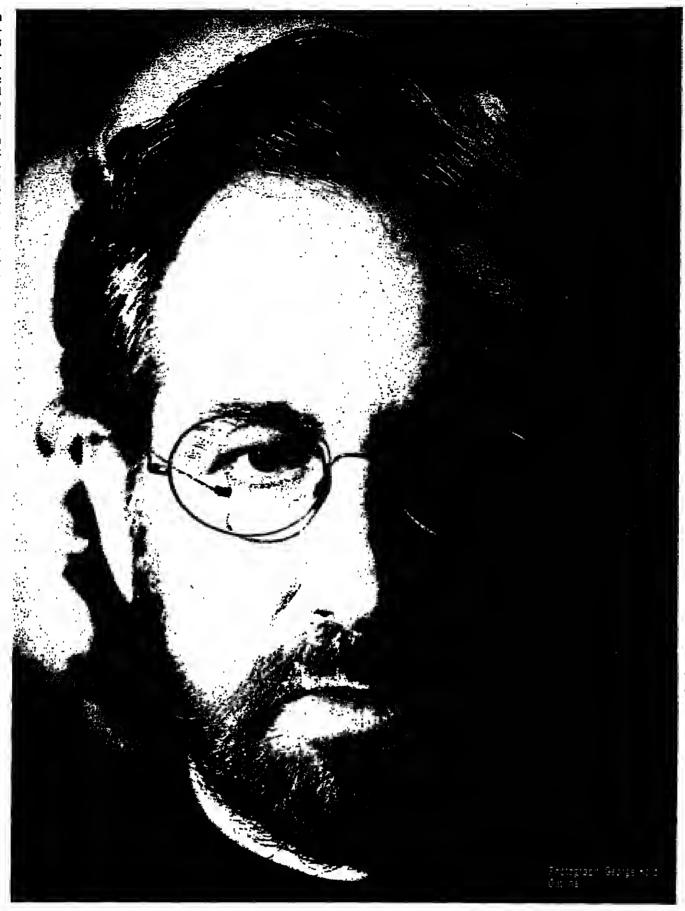
orchestrations, what cathedrals of emotion... Spielberg's problem with the critics, I suspect, is that he has always been too American, dedicated to the values of a provincial America - in fact its heartland and idenlogical engine - they preferred to ignnre. A few years ago, at the Hollywood premiere of Empire of the Sun, I was amazed by the hostility that American journalists showed towards Spielberg. One eveo asked me why I had allowed him to film my novel nne of the strangest questions ever put to me, and with a scarcely concealed sub-text.

These American journalists came from New York, Boston and Chicago, while Spielberg's roots seemed to be set deep in a Norman Rockwell suburbia of soda fountains, beauty parlours and daytime TV, a Fifties vision of the good life still aspired to by most of the planet's population, but nne which makes Spielberg's metropolitan critics profoundly uneasy. Perhaps they realise that too much of American culture is based nn the sentimentality, naïvety and showy self-confidence that they recognise in the mirror of Spielberg's

Curinusly, Spielberg's childhood was ont especially bappy. His parents were divorced in his teens, and a series of wreoching family moves led him from small-town New Jersey in an Arizona suburb, and eventually to anti-Semitic northern California. He was gawky and unpopular, but his father's 8mm Kndak camera saved him.

At the age of 14 he made Escape to Nowhere, a 40-minute war film for which he recruited his mother, sisters and friends, and followed this, while still at schnol, with Firelight, a full-length science fiction feature that his father screened to a paying audience in a specially rented cinema. Later, he speot his spare time haunting Universal Studios, and his sheer persistence led to a contract as a director of TV mnvies.

With Duel, one of the best-ever made-for-TV films, he displayed most of the qualities present in his sub-sequent blockbusters: the absence of stars or glamorous roles, the suhurban characters and locations, the down-playing nf dialogue and dramatic complexity in favour of a relentless, through-the-windscreen view of



It is, however, Spielberg's apparent shortcomings that most concern Juhn Baxter in his absorbing book. Steven Spielberg: The Unauthorised Biography (HarperCollins, £18). They seem to give him a nagging headache that one can sense on almost every page. Baxter is a shrewd, witty and very readable writer who has produced superb hiographics of Fellini and Ken Russell, directors with something of Spielberg's because telegraphs. Spielberg's bravura talents.

Spielberg's bravura talents.

But Baxter is clearly uncomfortable with Spielberg, whn unsettles him by thwarting his best and worst expectations. Baxter points out that, by the late 1970s, Jaws and Close Encounters of the Third Kind bad hrought Spielberg a fortune of some \$200 millinn. But while traditional Hullywood the street of the street limps and direct the street limps are street limps and direct the street limps and direct the street limps are street limps are street limps are street limps are street limps and direct limps are street l moguls rolled around in stretch limns and dined at Ma Maison and Spago, Spielherg lived frugally. drove a rented car and dressed in jeans and train-

In Baxter's eyes, this behaviour merely reveals Spielberg's perpetual adolescence. I would compliment him on his indifference to convection as ho pursued his unique vision. Baxter repeatedly emphasises that the imaginations of Spielberg and the Movie Brats - Lucas, Scorsese, Coppola et al - were entirely fed by the films they had seen in childhood, an accusation he wouldn't dream of levelling at, for example, a novelist who had passed his formative years in the library.

Film, for most of this century, has been a far more serious medium than the novel, and the Movie Brats and their encyclopaedic knowledge of film from the Lumière hrothers onwards compare favourably with today's film students, for whom the nriginal Die Hard and Terminator represent all the history they feel they oeed to know.

Baxter quotes an unnamed colleague whn says of Spielberg: "He has all the virtues — and the defects—of a 16-year-old", and refers to bim as the Peter Pan of movies, the Boy Whn Wnuldn't Grow Up, who preserved himself in an artificial adolescence. But boys who won't grow up soon find themselves in remedial institutions, and do nnt cootrol the giant entertainment and media conglumerates that increasingly set the pace of the world's

The Spielberg I first met on the Empire of the Sun film set in 1987 struck me as highly iotelligent, bard-minded and wholly adult, a visionary who accepted that the age of sophistication is over and that the benevolent technnlogies that govern our lives are happy to welcome the era of the naive. Throughout his films Spielberg is using the global entertainment culture to explore those constants of our everyday lives that we all take for granted - the wonder of existence, the magic of space-time, and the miracle of consciousness and childhood.

Were it not for Spielberg's high-concept cinema and the huge audiences and revenues be attracted, the Hollywood of the 1980s would have been disappointments of Kubrick, Coppola and Ciminn, sustained by little more than the empty Star Wars spectacles of George Lucas. The resistance to Spielherg expressed by Hallywood's ald guard anly confirms their grudging debt to him. Given that Hollywood is a company town, and that in company towns everyone respects the man whn signs the cheques. it is significant that Spielberg had to wait until Schindler's List - the least Spielbergian of his films - before receiving his first Oscar.

Punch-drunk and disorderly

Gordon Burn steps into the ring with a laconic memoirist and a slumming professor

Ben Watt of the pop group Every-thing But The Girl once wrote a song called "Boxing and Pop" by Thomas Healy, Picader, £14.99 Music", whose lyric summed up the appeal that "the sweet science of bruising" has traditionally had for aspiring low-lifes of all backgrounds and ages, and all neurotic boy-out-siders: "Lying in bed nn a weekday night, listening in the title fight, from a town the radio said was Atlantic City. Branches brush the windows, the hour is early morning. and Frankie's beating hell out of the champion."

Keening, oostalgic, poetic and yet "manly", it is the kind of song that would find favour with Thomas Healy, a fight fan who, like all fight fans, has a romantic streak as broad as Sauchiehall Street running through him. In 1975, for instance, when he is out of work, demoralised and still trying to find his form as a writer, Healy borrows £15 and trudges through the dark and ruin to see Mohammad Ali's third fight against Joe Frazier -"The Thriller in Manila" - in a cinema in the middle of Glasgow. "I had no money for a taxi fare, much less a hefty bet... And my shoes were leaking, letting in. You could hear the squelch each step I took, as if I were walking through a pud-

was due for demolition, the water chester, he has been drunk for sev- 1983." Riddick Bowe is the chamhad been cut off, the winos had eral days; he has broken his hand pinn on the October night, 10 moved in, and the Ali-Liston return in a puh hrawl - "My opponent... years later, when Healy takes known as "Naz".

On The Ropes: Boxing as a Way of Life by Geoffrey Beattie, Gol-

lancz. £16.99

fight was shown live on television. "In the kitchen. A coal fire. It caught against the windowpane, and my mother sat up with me. In her nightgown. About three in the morning." In September 1966, Healy travelled to Frankfurt to see Ali vs Mildenberger. Two months later he was in the Glasgow Odeon watching Ali against a fighter called Cleveland "Big Cat" Williams. "I was sat next to a guy I knew. He was a hig-time hood. Very dangerous. Nnt a man you would want to

Joyce Carol Oates once proposed that, far from boxing being a metaphor for life, life is a metaphor for boxing - "for one of those bouts that go on and on, round following round... again the bell and again you and your opponent so evenly matched it's impossible not to see that your

opponent is you." Healy was born in 1944. Ali is two years older. In 1965, Healy and his mother were the last tenants liveness opens with him travelling on ing in their close in the Gorbals, it a train from Glasgow to Man-

Samuels, the blinded ex-con in James Kelmao's Booker-winner How Late It Was, How Late. (And particularly in the nonboxing, autobiographical/confessional sections of A Hurting Busi-ness, Healy's writing will take comparison with Kelman and the best of the other Scottish brutal

matically - a writer sticking 100 anxiously to his brief - Healy measures out his life in world heavyweight champions, to the point where the reader has some sympathy with the girlfriend who asks him why he doesn't go and live with

The inevitability of ooe chamnion succeeding another gave coherence and pattern to an oth-erwise drifting life. After Ali, though, and the advent of cable and pay-per-view, the titles in all boxing weight divisions proliferated. Nnt surprisingly, Healy looks back to the Ali years for his bearings: "We grow old, and I tracked my time, the stages of my life, with the career of Ali."

The most meaningful relationship in Healy's life seems to have been with a Dobermann called Martin, his working partner in Dobermann Securities. "I had had Martin since Larry Holmes, when Holmes was champion in April of

had done time, some years for Martin to the vet to be destroyed. murder." Shades of "Sammy" There is something eroticized and There is something eroticized and touching (something Ackerley-like) in his relationship with the dog. Interestingly, a number of the young comers and old punchies in the American writer Thom Jones's first collectino of staries, The Pugilist at Rest, drew solace from the dumh company of Staffordshire terriers and boxer dogs.

Ring Lardner discovered the energising qualines of rough vernacular language in the Twenties, and there are strong echoes in both Jnnes and Healy, of Lardner's "uneducated", uncomprehending pug narrators. Authenticity of language is

something you might expect to find in On The Ropes, which largely consists of interviews with street flotsam and near-delinquents, the gym rats and chancers and "characters" - Mick "The Bomb" Mills, Ricky "The Brick" Stackhouse - of Brandan Ingle's fisticuffs academy in Sheffield. Unfortunately, Geoff "The Prof" Beattle (he is Professor of psychology at Manchester University) proves to be an easy touch, whether it's buying the blamey or a bit of "snide" Armani in a night-

club toilet. Ring Lardner's best-known story, "Champion", still has more to tell us about sporting heroes than Gavin Evans's Prince of the Ring (Robsoo), 280 pages chronicling the wit and wisdom of Prince Nascem Hamed, the champion

The spy who came out from the pub

Michael Arditti on a genre-defying tale of warring brothers with a European sweep

raternal rivalry has heeo a fictional mainstay from Aeschylus to Jeffrey Archer. Julian and Raymond Whyte, the protagonists of Robert McCrum's oew novel, represent an attractive addition to the genre. Not simply a rich man and a poor man but a pragmatist and an idealist, a liberal and a communist, and a bachelor and a married man, they provide a neat study of the contrasts in European personal and political life since the

fall of the Berlin Wall. Julian, a provincial lawyer and, significantly, a part-time coroner, is pleased by the news of Raymond's return to England after nearly 30 years in the GDR. He has hitherto lived a placid bachelor existence to the time-honoured rhythms of Sussex village life. His well-ordered precision is expressed most clearly in his narrative voice, reminisceot of Graham Greene's retired bank manager, Henry Pulling, Like Pulling, his world is torn apart by exposure tn his more exotic telative,

although with less benign results. Raymond arrives home with Raymond arrives nonce with little luggage but a great deal of psychological and political haggage. He also hrings his third wife, Kristina, and their two young children. Julian's bopes of an extended family life are, however, dashed by his unexpectedly passionate feelings for Kristina. Like many men whose romantic experience is limited, he confuses love with obsession. His probity, professionalism, even his bank bal-

by Robert McCrum Macmillan, £15.99

ance are compromised. But his oewly awakened emotions lead him to uncover an unsuspected infidelity during an inquest.
The locus of the novel is the vil-

lage, with a focus even narrower than the three or four families favoured by Jane Austen. Votil the crucial final section, the only significant character outside Julian and Raymond's households is Julian's former girlfriend, Susan. Only once do the characters stray heyond the Sussex boundaries. But, within these provincial confines, McCrum is able to portray a much broader European struggle. Raymond and Kristina's domestic drama provides a microcosm of the collapse of communism and the loss of political ideals. Raymond's work as an informer for the Stass is depicted less as a betrayal than a series of grubby compromises, the most tawdry of which is his

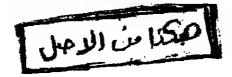
revenge on his wife's lover. This is an act from whose consequences he is not immune, even in England. Although it is the exiles who instigate the plot, McCrum's main subject, as in much of his work, is Englishness. On one level, this is seen in the richly detailed background of rural life, from flora and fauna to bunt-

ing and evensong. The bonk's four movements subtly reflect the changing seasons. Key events are set against popular festivals: Valeotine's Day, Guy Fawkes Day, Hallowe'en. Even the village pub and the village shap are made to represent sources of tradition and health from which Raymond and

Kristina remain alien. And yet, beyond this, Julian's increasing corrupting shows that the asceodance of the English brother owes more to ao accident of geography (living on an island rather than in a divided city) than to any inherent moral superiority. Indeed, when he proclaims man to be a mural animal, Julian argues from a purely negative base: his need to be punished. His air of civilisatinn is shown to be a veneer; in the company of his fellow coroners, he enjoys official slide-shows of sexual asphyxiatinns and watches a police video of the Lockerbie disaster for fun.

Robert McCrum's achievement is to question ideologies and subvert moralities, by setting a John Le Carré drama in the world of Barbara Pym.

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A wild and crazy Why

E Jane Dickson discovers that 'esse est percipi' can be fun

The Solitaire Mystery by Jostein Gaarder Secker, £15.99

ife, Jostein Gaarder repeatedly reminds us, is "a crazy adventure". Readers who are quiveringly sensitive to the word "crazy", with its secondary, Scandinavian meaning of blithe and blameless heartiness, should be warned that they may find the tone of *The Solitaire Mystery*

distressing.

Like Sophie's World, the 1995 publishing smash that turned Gaarder, a former philosophy teacher from Bergen, Norway, into an international guru, this new novel is aimed at "young adults" and rests on the premise that "learning can be fun". Sophie's World was a marvellously accessible exposition of Western philosophy linked by a narrative so shamelessly rudimentary as to be incidental. The structure of The Solitaire Mystery is considerably more evolved, but scarcely more rewarding.

Hans Thomas is a precocious 12-yearold, who journeys from Norway to Greece with his father in search of his mother, who has abandoned family life in order to "find herself". "Why did she have to go away to find herself?" asks Hans Thomas. "My advice to all those who are going to find themselves is they ought to stay exactly where they are." If this seems a startlingly gnomic pronouncement for a 12-year-old, it is considerably easier on the gorge than Hans Thomas in winsome mood, when he plans to "give Dad some peace of mind as

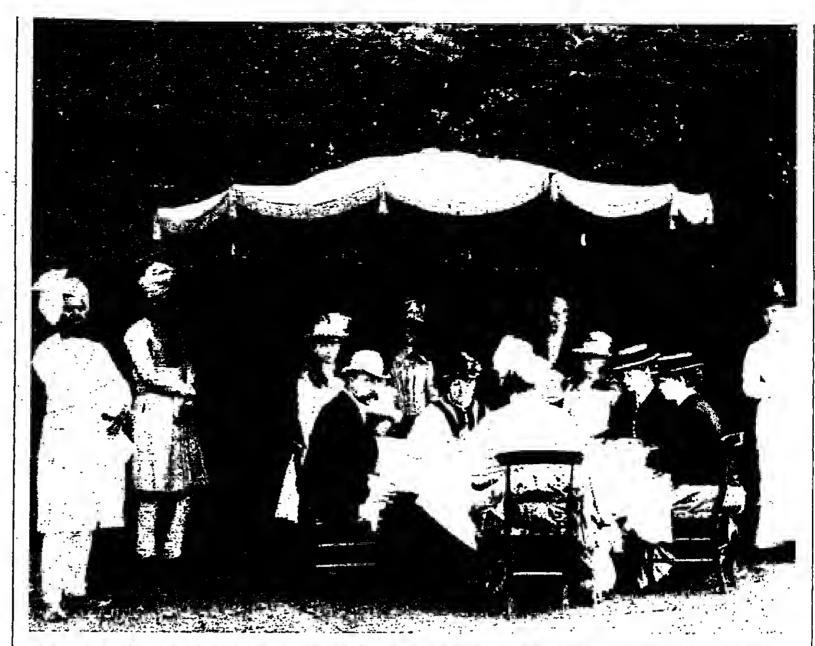
a Christmas present".
On their way across the Alps, Hans Thomas is given a magnifying glass by a mysterious dwarf. The glass enables him to read a tiny book which he finds inside a sticky bun. Eveots in the sticky bun text, an extended allegory of Bishop Berkeley's theory that the world exists only in our perception of it, reflect Hans Thomas's own experience, while his sentimental education is completed by cultural pitstops.

As a teacher, Gaarder is enthusiastic. In

his hands, contingency is worked up into something like a miracle: "The chances of one single ancestor of yours not dying while growing up is one in several billion," Hans Thomas is told. "Life is one huge lottery where only the winning tickets are visible:"

Gaarder's literary style does him no favours. "Rainbow Fizz" is a sloppily modern name for a drink developed in 1790, and the triumphant conclusion that "we are all dwarfs, gushing with life" just doesn't sound very nice. The central imagery of playing cards, magic drinks and messages in burs is is almost certainly Gaarder's homage to Lewis Carroll, but somehow these images lack dimension and momentum in their new setting.

Gaarder is the least cynical of philosophers. His arguments are all to demonstrate that we are miraculous beings in an infinitely interesting universe. In an intellectual climate fugged by irony, The Solitaire Mystery shows that it is possible to be both high-minded and big-hearted. As an introduction to moral philosophy, that is surely enough to be going on with.



Sunshade, rug and windbreak: a fively alfresco tea at Osborne House, Isle of Wight, 1887 with "Grandmama". Queen Victoria at table with grandchildren and great-grandchildren, and attended by her two newly arrived Indian servants, Mohammed Bokhsh (far left) and Abdul Karim (left). Victoria's habit of cultivating friendship with her servants drove her household mad. Within months Karim was teaching her Hindustani, helping with her correspondence and being permitted to tempt her with curries. Shushila Anand's 'Indian Sahib: Queen Victoria's Dear Abdul' (Duckworth, £16.75) charts Karim's spectacular rise from khitmagar (servant) to Munshi (teacher) and finally to the Queen's Indian Private Secretary.

There must be more to life than stereotypes

Louise Doughty reads a volume of stories that suddenly breaks out the ordinary

wonder who decides the order in . which stories appear in collections. - the author, I presented the life makes it all the more odd that the least interesting tales seemed to come first. Angels Hoth the control of a writer on automatic pilot, turning out oeat little tales of disappointed lives the various characters, there is a feeling that lie quite flat on the page. that lie quite flat on the page.

who spends his spare time tending his frightful widowed mother and fantasising about the beroine in the local pantomime. It seems inevitable that his name should be Reginald.
Stereotypes abound throughout

this collectioo: elderly actresses are eccentric; social workers are heartless busybodies; Irish people are nice, cute and not very bright. A young man at Oxford wears "pale, baggy trousers of crushed linen, as if he'd just discovered Brideshead". Despite the

Another Kind of Cinderella

ing that they all live in the same world, dictable tale of a provincial violinist ment. In a telling scene, a woman feels obliged to accept the attentions of a man she finds unpleasant merely because she is hungry. "In return for a drink and a sandwich, she was prepared to put up with almost any kind of company." She is a barrister.

It is only wheo we get to the fifth of 11 stories, "Laughter in the Willows". that Huth's real qualities begin to shine through. It is no coincidence that this is also ooe of the longest stories. The Isabel Loughland's second summer up

story seems no different from those preceding, but gradually, a sense of the Room", a vivid snapshot of a man cassinister creeps in. What emerges is a 'nights mistress and her belongings out genuinely frightening ghost story, the of his flat before his wife returns. Huth resolution of which leaves the reader is very good indeed at showing the way chillingly unreassured.

iour", also uses a stereotype, this cially - if the effect is unintentional. time in the shape of a rebellious New Age daughter who dyes her hair and swears and forces carrot juice down the throat of her dying father - but again, there is an interesting narrative undertone. Although she appears to side with the parents, Huth leaves the question open to the end: which is going to turn out worse for the old man, raw liver or chemotherapy?

All of which seems to suggest that Huth is most comfortable when she has a narrative to deal with. She is opening sentence is typical: "It was adept at moving action forward. She seems less at ease with evoking mood.

at Oxford and in her own mind she was unless it is the wash of failure that a failure." For the first few pages the colours most of her characters' lives. An exception is "To Re-Arrange a in which possessions are evocations of Another tale, "Alternative Behav- an individual's character, even - espe-

This quality is also evident in "The Wife Trap". A middle-aged woman visits her ex-husband 17 years after their divorce and ootes the "plastic blinds at the window, a torn shade on the overhead light, a Formica table patterned with ribbons and roses of crude yellow and blue". The reader shares her sense of superiority, until it becomes increasingly clear that the wife has a few problems of her own. The narrative is punctuated by what she will later report to a neighbour and truth and delusion swiftly diverge, as they so often do in real life.

All you need to know about Griffiths the books you meant to read

THE WOODLANDERS (1887) by Thomas Hardy

Piot: This time "Hardy country" is Little Hintock, an isolated and claustrophobic woodland community. George Melhury's daughter Grace is promised in marriage to Giles Winterbourne, a stolid timber winterbourne, a stolid timber merchant who is faithfully devoted to her; hut Giles is adored by Marty South, a young girl who does odd jobs with logs. When Marty learns of Giles's betrothal she lops off her hair to sell to the local harber. Grace returns from finishing school and is now refined. Her father thinks she is too good for Giles and Grace is pushed towards the socially superior Edred Fitzpiers. They marry, hur Fitzpiers takes up with the other outsider in the book, Felice Charmond. She is a champagneswilling temptress who wears a wig made out of Marty's hair. George Melbury assaults Fitzpiers, who flees to the continent with Felice. Grace renews a relationship with Giles. Fitzpiers returns, having quarrelled with his volatile mistress. Grace runs away from him, taking refuge in Giles's hovel. Although it is cold and wet, Giles upholds propriety and spends the night outside in a nest of twigs. He dies of hypothermia: a broken heart. Grace and Fitzpiers leave for the city, resuming the marriage made in the ante-room of hell. Marty is left to mourn.

Theme: The "immortal puzzle" of "how to find a hasis for sexual relation". (Hardy's Preface) All the characters are isolated fantasists who have immense difficulty communicating.

Style: As ever with Hardy, there are some disconcerting shifts from the lyrical to the bronehial; but the narrative voice maintains its puzzled tone and seldom lapses into coercion.

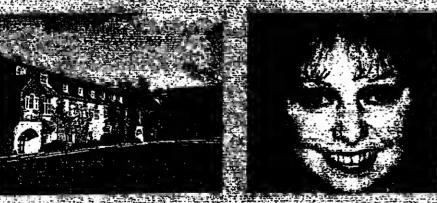
Chief strengths: The countryside escapes heing sentimentalized because Hardy senses the evolutionary struggle that charges both landscape and character. "On older trees still than these, huge lobes of fungi grew like lungs. Here, as everywhere, the Unfulfilled Intention...was as obvious as it could be among the depraved crowds of a city slum."

Chief weaknesses: Giles is good, but he is rather a wet lettuce. His fidelity to Grace can seem a facet of his chronic absence of empathy.

en: Some journalists found the Charmond-Fitzpiers relationship a little "distasteful", but the reviews were favourable and The Woodlanders proved to be Hardy's biggest hit since Far From the Madding Crowd (1874).

What we think of it now: The least appreciated "major" Hardy novel. It lacks the nostalgie tug of his early work and is not as marmoreally "tragic" as the later stuff. Hardy himself, however, thought it his best story.

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Devon has been the site of a literary festival that combines eminent and block ter look for evidence of ethics in the mod-bushing authors, exciting newcomers and ern press; find out how to get published sensoned veterors, specialists and gener. Hils Ned Sherrin, Hilary Mantel, Doris alists, journalists and media stars, all in a Lessing, Joan Brady, Anthony Clare, Ruth setting of ancient rustic tranquility. It's Rendell, Polly Toyubee, Roy Hattersley, called Ways With Words. The fifth annual festival takes place over de Bernieres, Terry Waite, John Cole, PD the last week of August and has attracted James, Adam Philips, Marina Warner a glittery throng of authors from across the and many more. Pull details are available in the festival brochure, available at the

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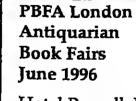
84 Charing Cross Road read by Rosemary Leach, Frank Finlay and

oan Collins is more voluptuous than virginal as Shaherazad (sic) in 1001 Arabian Nights (Spartan, 2hrs 30min, £7.99) - but she is just wonderful, a purring panther with a hint of musk. Judging from these lubricious and fantastical tales, the ingenious storyspinner must have had

something of a past.

Helene Hanff is a different sort of charmer. The letters between her and the staff of 84 Charing Cross Road (Reed, 3hrs. £7,99) are a classic correspondence, full of human warmth and a love of English literature. They work very well read aloud.

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Southern comforts

Candida Lloyd travelled through Georgia, from the gracious mansions of Savannah to the surprisingly welcoming jungle swamps (provided you sleep in the trees)

hen you're standing in one of Savannah's 22 squares surrounded by trees dripping with Spanish moss and beautifully restored United States can seem a surprisingly refined and civilised place. At the heart of the city is the two square-mile historic district. This was the master plan of General James Oglethorpe, who sailed with 114 men, women and children from England - many of them debtors—to set up Savannah in 1733 as a protective buffer between Spanish Florida and the northern English colonies. The series of public squares was designed to provide areas of fortification as well as meeting places. As the port boomed on the back of the cotton industry and the

slave trade, grand houses emerged.

They survived the Civil War, but as the cottnn industry collapsed, the city and its 18th- and 19th-century homes became dilapidated and unloved. That was until the 1960s, when the good ladies of Savannah tnok over and set up a project to restore the buildings.

Today, the district has a European feel with sool savanna end interest.

feel, with cool squares and intricate iron balconies surrounded by curtains of tree moss. A relative of the pineap-ple family, the moss is reportedly edihle, although after munching a entry for many of Georgia's slaves, mouthful, I think it's on a par with that and its black history is retold in sevother great Southern delicacy - grits. eral museums and tours.

Several of the restored homes are



House was the first home to be reclaimed. Its owner, a master builder named Isaiah Davenport, was considered only moderately well off, yet his list of possessions pinned on the wall includes "nine oegro slaves". Much more upmarket is Owens Thomas House, built between 1816 Thomas House, built between 1816 and 1819 and designed by William Jay. It has an internal hridge joining the two sides of the house, fake Greek pillars, a domed ceiling that is an optical illusion (it's actually flat and square) and several false doors. But the best thing to do in Savannah is wanter the streets storning

nah is wander the streets, stopping occasionally for iced tea. Outside the historic district are several run-down, predominately black, neighbourhoods, although some are being restored. Savannah was the port of

For a glimpse of the darker side other sides. Built into the wooden

of city, any would-be visitor should read Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil, John Berendt's brilliant bestselling novel, which gives details of murder, jazz, cross-dressing and

In July, the city will be packed with city fills up, the cost of accommodadon will soar, so and you may want to escape.

For a very different experience, head for the magical Hostel in the Forest. Here guests sleep 20ft up among the trees. There is a choice of about six tree-top houses - each with insect-proof wire meshes on three sides. The decor is basic - an electric fan and light, double mattress, and san and light, double mattress, and side table. A late-night visit to the loo involves a precarious climb down a wonky ladder and a woodland walk. But going to sleep to the sounds of the forest and waking as the sun streams through the leaf tops is amazing.

There are also a small number of

There are also a small number of bunk rooms, showers, wood-chip toilets (the contents of which are recycled in a disturbingly fertile veg-etable patch) a kitchen and several common rooms. But best of all is the glass room. The 25ft octagonal wooden structure has sliding glass walls and two swinging rope chairs handing from the rafters. On one side is a natural pond with an island, while the forest sweeps around the

deck outside is a jacuzzi.

If this is not native enough, an hour away is the Okefenokee Swamp, home to 20,000 alligators. The owners run boat trips from a visitors cen-tre, where a large lady with a pith helmet gives talks about snakes. During sailing types who have come to watch the Olympic yachting events. As the cut out of the mangrove swamps I cut out of the mangrove swamps I cut out of the mangrove swamps I spotted three beasts from the deep. Our guide assured us that no person has ever been attacked by an alligator. However, there have been several incidents in which dogs have been left tied to a tree only for their owners to return to find the ragged remains of a lead. So don't take your pets to the swamp. pets to the swamp.

> Savannah can be reached from the UK with a single change of plane at one of several US gateways. Major Travel (0171-485 7017) has a July fare of £476 on British Airways/USAir from Cathelide in Chandrah but from Gatwick via Charlotte, but availability is limited. You could instead get a charter to Orlando and rent a car for the 350-mile drive to Savannah - see opposite. For accommodation in Savannah try Bed and Breakfast Inn, 117 W Gordon St (001 912 238 0518) - it has a range of great rooms, including a converted stable, from about £25 to £60 a night. The Hostel in the Forest is nine miles west of Brunswick on US-82 (264 9738); \$10 a night.

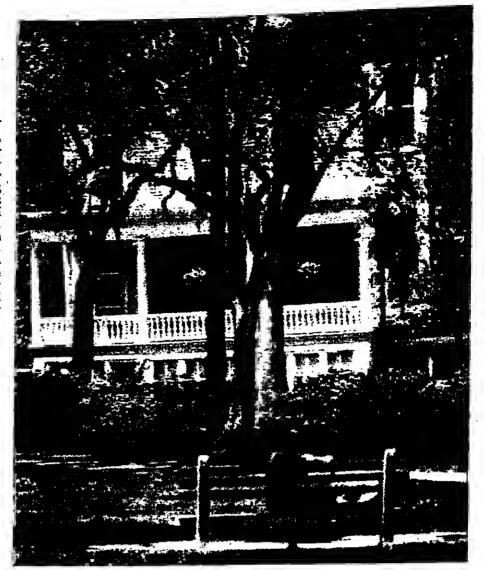
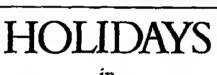


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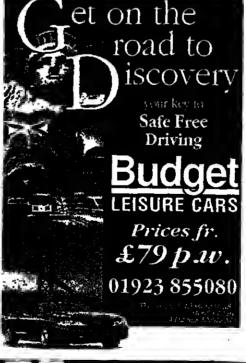
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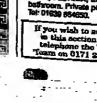


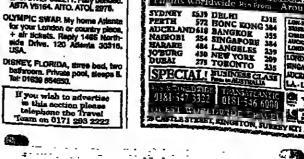


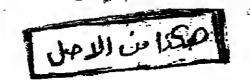


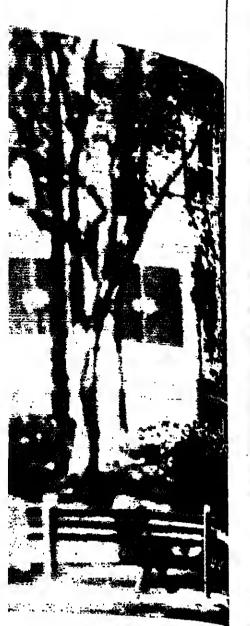
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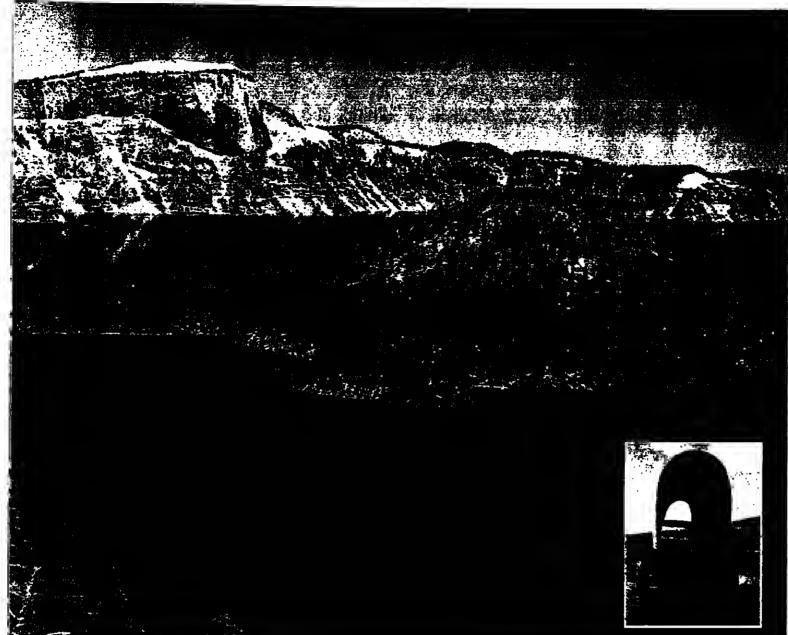
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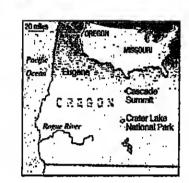








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Great-grandma Phipps crossed the Oregoo Trail from Missouri to the Pacific twice: as an infant in 1857 when she was kidnapped by the Indians and bartered for one of her father's cows, and in 1875 when sbe helped her widowed father drive the mule train across the prairie steppes. That autumn she reached the southern Oregon valley of the Rogue River - inhabited by Rogue River Indians - and married my great-grandfather. Together they built a large homestead, which I used to visit during childhood summers.

A hundred and twenty years later, my 81-year-old father and I retraced part of her journey, criss-crossing the Oregononly segment of the Trail - this large state accounts for around 500 miles of the Oregon Trail. We did oot trudge on foot 10-20 miles per day but instead drove 300 miles per day in our sleek Japanese automobile, looping round the state. It took the pioneer settlers four to six months to walk the nearly 2,000 miles from Independeoce, Missouri to the "promised and" in western Oregon. It took us five days to drive over high mountain passes, precipitous hluffs, bone-wrenching volcanic flows, and searing sagebrush plains.

Near our campsites we encountered rattlesnakes, deer, coyotes, cougars, eagles, bears and hiting flies. We wanted to experience the sort of life and the variety of terrain and animals those hardy pioneers encountered

We set out from the western terminus of the Oregon Trail in the Willamette Val-ley town of Eugene, founded by pioneer Eugene Skinner, and headed south to the Gold Rush country of the Rogue River, six churches. At one time there were more

From here the Trail beads east and north to the Cascade Mountains. This is Twin Peaks country: deep, dark silent woods. We pitched our tent in a public campsite and settled down for the night. Little did we know that there was a loggers' Jamboree (a sort of Highland Games) in the nearby tiny community of Prospect: at 2am we were woken by the sounds of "visitors".

Worn out by their exertions in axethrowing, tree-cutting and chainsaw-brandishing competitions, a drunken crowd had decided to resolve their feuds in our neck of the woods. Not for nothing did a 19th-century writer describe these mountain men as "half horse, half alligator, tipped with snapping-turtle, reckless, fear-

less and law-despising".

Our next stop was Crater Lake National Park. This enormous stretch of water was formed around 7,700 years ago by the cataclysmic eruption of Mount Mazama. Indian legend tells of the explosion which caused the collapse of the volcano: shamans in historic time forhade Indians to view the lake, and trappers and pio-neers did not find it until 1853 when it was discovered by gold prospectors.

From the mountains the Oregon Trail leads to the High Desert country, an immense arid plateau which is mostly populated by cattle, horses and rattlesnakes. Human settlements are sparse here, but one of the most interesting is Sumpter, once a metropolis of about 4,000 brawling gold miners, card sharks, renegades, gunmen and ladies of the evening. In its heyday there were 16 saloons, an opera house, six restaurants, seven hotels - and

be stern portrait of my great-grandmother hangs in the stairwell of my Loodoo home. She was, according to family legeod, a for-midable woman, six feet tall, widowed with 12 young childreo to Catholics, Jews, and Indians, mingling in nese temple, and opium deo. Tourists in the wild Oregoo country.

Catholics, Jews, and Indians, mingling in nese temple, and opium deo. Tourists from the City of London might like to visit the oow-uninhabited mining town of Bourne - its richest mine and best hotel were owned by a London family called the Barings, who made it a practice to clear the dining room of miners before eating.

We finally reached our goal - the actual wagoo tracks made by the pioocers - in the north-east corner of the state, near the Idaho border. Outside the town of Baker City, on a sagebrush-covered hluff called Flagstaff Hill is the Oregoo Trail Interpretative Centre, an historical time tunnel beckoning visitors into a stunning recreation of life during the Great Migration. It overlonks an immense plain called Virtue Flat, which the pioneer settlers crossed in their Conestoga wagons.

A well preserved segment of the Oregon Trail is set between the Rockies 1,000 miles to the east and the Cascade Mountains several hundred miles to the west. From 1840 to 1870 nearly half a millioo pioneers travelled the 2,000 miles of Oregon Trail. Over time the wagons, animals and settlers broke down the sagebrush on Virtue Flat and the dusty earth became imprinted by sets of parallel rust cut deep by the wagon wheels.

At the Center, opened in 1992, you see life-size recreations of trail, accompanied by pungent sounds and smells. Interspersed with the "living" tableaux are informative video films and hands-on displays. Outside, there is a trail of more than four miles around Flagstaff Hill. which leads to a series of viewpoints and

historic sites travelled by the emigrants. The loop starts nearly a mile high and descends 372 feet - not for the fainthearted. In summer the heat is intense:

there is oot shade or water oo the trail. Visitors are warned: "Insects can be bothersome and ticks can be dangerous. Stay on the trail. Be alert for scorpions and rattlesnakes". There are several levels of difficulty and the routes are clearly marked. I opted for "difficult" and set off oo the two-hour hike towards my goal: a solitary covered wagoo down the hill on the plain. During the course of my walk I was overtaken by a golf buggy driven by an employee of the Center, asking me if I was "all right" and offering me a drink of ice-cold water. Overland emigrants, of course, had oo such luxuries. Descending past the Hard Rock Lode Mine and Panorama Point, I finally reached the lone covered wagoo at the foot of the hill. It sits in the ruts of the original Oregon Trail, near the granite marker which Ezra Mecker, a pioneer of 1853, created.

Our "trail" home to the Willamette Valley took us across the McKenzie Pass of the Cascade range. My great-grandmother and her father came this way in 1875 over the hlack lava heds, the remains of a volcanic lava flow from 6,000-8,000 years ago. A bleak sight it is, the black slithering stuff in hardened waves, funnels, ridges and canyons. Here and there is a scrawny pine tree clinging to life. Visible oo the edge of the 20th-century road are the remains of the first road to cross this God-forsaken place, the ruts of the old wagon road, used by the pioneers. One can only imagine the gritty endurance of these intrepid people, braving wind, snow, wild animals and Indians, in order to establish their homes in the "promised land".

> For travel in July (high season) Flightbookers (0171-757 2000) is quoting £518 on Air Canada from Heathrow via Vancouver, while Airline Network (0800 727747) has a flight from Gatwick on TWA via St Louis for £542 return. These fares include tax.

The Florida bargain this summer

By Simon Calder and Chris Armond



main street in Key West, Florida Robert Harding Picture

reddie Laker virtually invented Florida as a holiday destination for Brits, when his Skytrain service to Miami began in 1982. So after the collapse of the original Laker Airways, it is only right that his familiar redand-hlack DC-10s should be among the flotilla of aircraft heading west-south-west to the Sunshine State this summer.

His flights to Orlando from Gatwick, Manchester and Prestwick are competing in the mar-ketplace with Virgin Atlantic's new route from Manchester. and a host of charter services far too many, in fact, for the demand. So fares have fallen to levels unknown for a decade.

Stories over the past fcw weeks about holidays to Florida for under a tenner are somewhat wide of the mark. As Jeremy Skidmore remarked in his receot Inside Track column in these pages, extras for airport and security taxes, personal insurance and other charges on the car rental are where the ageots make their profit, bringing the total price up to around £200 for a fortnight's fly-drive.

Bookings are firmer in July and August, so bargain holidays in the height of summer are likely to be harder to find. But for now, a rental car in Florida

is yours for the taking.

The main players for Florida fly-drives ioclude Airtours (01706 260000), First Choice (0161-745 7000), Thomsoo (0990 673310) and Unijet (01444 459191); or look at the latest 459191); or look at the latest advertisements on ITV Teletext.

The question is - where to head when you land? Here is the Independent Traveller's hourby-hour guide from Orlando International Airport. Note that charters serving the airport at Sanford, 20 miles north, will add around 30 minutes to most of these journey times.

30 minutes: Assuming you can oavigate the maze of toll roads and expressways from the airport, then downtown Orlando has plenty going for it. Attractions include streets that are actually designed for walking around; a city park that involves no theme beyond being a peaceful, pondside venue for a picnic; and, if you prefer not to drive, the hub of Orlando's excellent bus network.

From here you can easily reach International Drive ("1-Drive" to locals and people who have been in Orlando for at least an hour), where those without accommodation should be able to find a room without too much trouble or expense. All those planeloads of Brits have yet to soak up the surplus of vacancies over vacationers. In January (much higher season than now). I paid \$30 (£20) per night for a large double room.

1 hour: Make a Bee Line along the Expressway of that name to Spaceport USA, the launch site for what remains of America's space effort. An astronaut built from Lego welcomes to you a rather tired Visitor Ceoter. which is the hub of some worthy audio-visual presentations about the space race.

Once the bus trip around the launch sites begins (you are not allowed to wander off on your own, in case you trip over a Saturn V rocket) any tedium evaporates. Even wheo no prepara-tions for launches are under way, the audacity with which a tranquil slah of coastline has been transformed into earth's terminus for the moon is astonishing.

2 hours: Drive straight through Tampa on Interstate 4. Florida has more exciting cities than Tanipa, and furthermore you actually get a fine view of the downtown area from the freeway that carves through it.

Keep going across the Howard Frankland Bridge to the sprawling, flat peninsula that supports the city of St Petersburg. With Tampa Bay on one side and the Gulf of Mexico on the other, this is a city of two halves. Its Russian namesake may boast the Hermitage Museum, but the Salvador Dali Collection (on the Bay side) bestows Florida's St Pete with a cultural dimension lacking in similar-sized cities.

Once on the Gulf shore, you can almost feel the envy of Miami Beach residents. What it lacks in Art Deco density, St Pete's Sand Key makes up for in splendid solitude and stunning sunsets.

3 hours: When other towns in the state are having to make do with claims like "West Palm Beach - South Florida's Least Crowded Customs Gateway", the epithet "oldest city in the United States" is bound to draw the tourists. So the Spanish colonial heart of St Augustine has lots of visitors and a surfeit of twee restaurants.

Yet this Atlantic resort is an essential stop for anyone waoting 10 get to grips with Florida beyond the theme parks - and to understand the European settlement of America. Wandering around soon after dawn is ideal, before the day-trippers reach town and while the cafes are busily squeezing their fresh orange juice (and probably sundrying their tomatoes). At the Castillo de San Marco, you could almost be in Havana - hut don't tell anyone.

The United States no longer has a tourist office in London. So start by calling the Florida Division of Tourism (0891 600555). For more specific information try the following: the Keys (01564 794555), Palm Beach (0181-681 7762); Marco Island (0800 891411); Naples (0800 962122); Orlando (0171-243 8072); St Petersburg (0181-651 4742); and Tampa (01494 881552).

Not every tandem passenger makes a full contribution to pedalling

pritain's charter airlines are, Mostly, excellent. But my asking last week for details of charter flights where not everything had gone quite according to plan resulted in a veritable overbooking of stories, such as this one from Mike Stace of lonbridge, recounting a trip to the anary Islands last summer.

"On the outward trip it was quite in. On arrival in Tenerife the capain announced that we had landed n La Paima (we hadn't) and got the ocal time wrong by an hour. The abin crew, on the other hand, hoped hat we would have a pleasant holiplay in Paphos. But the real excitenent came two weeks later.

"When I phoned to reconfirm the lights, I was greeted by a taped mesage which told me without much conviction, or any comment on the from which a plan emerged. We hange, that the departure was at were sent to a check-in at the other 10pm rather than 6pm. At 8pm we end of the airport indicated as a group of Australians who'd been

joined a huge crowd and queued for an bour to be halted a few yards short of the check-in desk when the checkin clerk discovered that the plane had fewer seats than he had expected. We had been bumped.

"Passenger pressure persuaded the airline rep that she'd better phone England for advice, which she did from a public pay phone. She then revealed that the plane was indeed smaller than she had expected, but that another was on its way. After closer questioning from the waiting crowd it emerged that this was not an extra plane but one booked to leave at 1.30am with a full load of passengers. We asked how to

avoid being bumped off that one, too. "There ensued a full and frank discussioo in English and Spanish,



SIMON CALDER

being for Munich. This may have been a clever ploy to put the pas-sengers for the 1.30am off the sceot, hot I suspect that no ooe knew how to work the electronic display: the 10pm flight details had been on bits of cardboard wedged on to a sheet of hardboard.

"Uotil midnight, we passed the time playing two games: fending off more inquisitive passengers for the 1.30am flight. Suddenly we were checked in at break-neck speed, encouraged to run back through the airport to the departure gate and told to sit anywhere on the plane. Experience had taught us that now we might be playing musical chairs so people needed a clear view of a destination seat before they could be persuade to swap seats to allow parents and children to sit together.

"We took off at half-past midnight - one hour early. So there had been no chance to load the baggage. Some luggage went on other airlines to Gatwick; ours went to Milan."

If that sort of thing is enough to per-isuade you to holiday at home, you might be tempted to travel by Holidaymaker - a special Saturday service from Scotland and the north of Eng-

drinking since 9am, and repulsing the land to various South Coast resorts. The first of the summer schedule departed for Devon from Glasgow last Saturday at 9.30am. Or at least it would have done, if someone had chosen to connect a locomotive to the train. Eventually one was found, but not before we waiting passengers had had nearly an hour clipped from our

> The subject of motive power is close to the heart of anyone who rides a tandem. Having spent a fortnight getting used to my new vehicle, I am not yet convinced that every pillion passenger makes the appropriate contribution to pedalling power. So action has been taken, in the form of a sign attached to the machine. If you see a tandem bearing the request "Is she pedalling? Toot if she's not". I hope you

How to enjoy your Florida fly-drive

Don't forget your licence. It's amazing how many people do. An eagerly anticipated fly-drive holidays becomes a rather frustrabing fly-sit.

Splash out on a first-night taxi. If your flight arrives late at night. get a taxi to the hotel and pick up the car in the morning. Better than getting lost as you try to find your etlagged way in the dark.

When it rains, it pours. Oil rises to the surface of the roads, creating mini-skidpans. Slow down and keep your distance, or stay off the road. Seek white knuckle rides in the theme parks, not on the

Keep to the limits. After 22 years of restrictions, Americans have grown used to driving a lot slower than 70mph. Police enforce speed limits with a passion.

There's no such thing as free car hire. Budget for extra costs. anything from top-up insurance and airport charges to environment

Park front first. Florida cars have number plates only on the back. So the law says that when you're parking you need to display your only (rear) licence to any passing police, so drive in front first.

Yes — it is like the movies. On

Florida freeways you can legally overtake on either side. Watch

The only thing worse than being bumped is being robbed. If

another vehicle strikes yours from

behind, do not pull over at once

populated location such as a gas

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employ young kids to watch from

but continue to a well-lit and

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a distance and note where

precisely you conceal your

wouldn't dream of leaving

your nearside mirror.

Enjoy. Read maps, use common sense and have fun. America, after all, is designed for the car.

Downhill all the way: the other face of the Alps

By Malcolm Smith

melts the last of the snow on the highest pistes of the Schiltalp – above Murren in the Bernese Oberland yellow arnica, little black vanilla orchids, elegant white St Bruno's lily and many more flowers appear. Both the winter snow and the summer flowers have their aficionados. You could, though, be forgiven - if the quantity of ski holiday brochures are anything to go by - for assuming that skiing is overwhelmingly more popular than Alpine walking. Yet in the Austrian Alps the

tourism split is 40 per cent in summer and 60 per cent in winter. In the Swiss Alps, roughly 12 million non-Swiss occupy hotel beds in summer and 9 million in winter.

Skiing is the audacious alpine holiday newcomer. When Dr Paulcke, a German physician, and a young apprentice named Branger both from the then Swiss summer resort of Davos – bought Finnish skis at the Great Exhibition in Paris in 1889, no one could have guessed what their purchases would lead to.

Within a few decades, the high peaks that had once been the reward of a balf day's climb could be skied five times before lunch. But it was not until the 1960s that purpose-built ski resorts attracted mass winter tourism and winter holidays started to rival the summer tourist trade.

Today the Alps have more than 40,000 ski lifts. Austria's runs alone, if joined end to end, would circle the globe.

Building more and more pistes, plus the attendant cable cars and hotels - and roads, water and electricity supplies to service them - is, according to many conservationists, damaging the fragile alpine environment and jeopardising the summer alpine tourist industry.

Dr Jim Thorsell, Senior Advisor for Natural Heritage at the Geneva-based International Unioo for the Conservation of Nature, points to the stark contrast between the purpose-built resort of Cervinia in the Italian Alps and Zermatt in Switzerland, each on opposite sides of the Matterborn.

'Cervinia," says Dr Thorsell, "is architecturally insulting. The slopes have been buildozed excessively to re-cootour them so that, in summer, they look ugly. Large areas are devoid of vegetation and the soil is croding.

Power lines make it even worse." The developments at Zermatt. on the other hand, are much more sensitive to the local environment, and downhill ski runs haven't done too much damage to the

vegetation. The Austrians are probably the most concerned about over development. In Voraiberg Province, no new ski developments, nor extensions to existing facilities, are allowed. lo Tirol Province, the environmental implications of any developments have to be thoroughly assessed, though there is no ban oo new facilities if their impact is minimal. Other Alpine Austrian Provinces have also tighteoed their downhill

In the Swiss Alps, too, new developments get the go-ahead less often. In the Bernese Oberland, summer tourism is more valuable than ski revenues, so developments which disfigure Alpine vistas are taboo.

Forest felling to create more pistes is not allowed in the better cared for parts of the Alps. Spruce forests are natural avalanche barriers. Where they have been felled, huge sums of money are having to be spent constructing barriers on steep mountainsides to protect villages below.

Cows, complete with bells, still graze the high meadows in summer, yet many former dairy farmers have exchanged cheese making for more lucrative skituition jobs or for running boarding houses and shops in villages lower down the slopes.

In the Swiss Alps, less than 10 per cent of the resident population lives in the mountains. A century ago it was 25 per cent. In the Italian Alps many farms have been abandoned.

So the traditional Heidi image is under threat. So, too, are the colourful Alpine meadows. Abandoned, many of them lose their superb colours as scrub which grazing formerly kept in check - encroaches. Insects, including many gorgeous butterflies, are also declining. And avalanche risk increases when meadows are abandoned. "Uncut meadows are more slippery, especially in spring wheo large, wet flow avalanches occur," says Dr Walter Ammann, Head of the Swiss Federal Institute for Snow and Avalanche Research. This is because the snow bends the long grass over and can slip off it. Cut meadows have a short vegetation stubble to which the snow grips," he

The highest government subsidies, to help keep farmers up in the mountains, are paid by the Swiss, A 45-hectare Alpine farm (the average size) gets around £20,000 a year. Few farmers would otherwise consider staying on. A similar French Alpine farm might get half that. Little wonder that the village of Tour in the Chamonix Valley now has 30 diary cows (all oo the single remaining farm) yet

in the 1940s had 250.

In a recent speech, Prince Sadruddin Aga Khan, Chairman of Alp Action, drew attention to the Alpine Convention, signed in 1991 by the six Alpine states. This recognises a common responsibility for the protection and sustainable development of the Alps. Unless this spirit of cooperation is enhanced, unless Alpine farmers are better supported, and until environmental awareness of the impact of more and more ski facilities by some governments is increased, it isn't only the spectacular Alpine scenery which will suffer. Tourism revenues will plummet faster than a slalom.

A weatherboard cabin by the fiord

When in Norway, do as the Norwegians: head for a summer sea house. By Hilary Peyton



For the rental price of a cabin you often get a boat thrown in - which in Norway's watery environment is a hit like having free car hire

Photo: Hilary Peyton

e gave up pointing out our dream hide-aways after a few days. They were everywhere, most of them hidden behind the trees. There was a blue gingerbread cabin set in a glade of rustling hirch, perched above a rocky shore I particularly liked. And a rambling old house of ochre weatherboard on a narrow inlet. And even one built on an islet no bigger than a tennis court.

or oo a small island. These cabins can be rented for no more than the price of a country cottage here, often with a boat thrown in. The locations are breathtaking. One lazy Sunday afternoon drinking home-made fig wine with some friendly locals, I asked my friend Petter where be sailed his boat - a traditional yacht moored at the jetty. "Here," he said, looking surprised. "Why go anywhere else?"

It was hard to disagree.

I had sailed oo a yacht to Norway as crew, and it had been my intention to return immediately by ferry. I bad imag-ined the country would be cold, damp and expensive. I came bome a month later with very different impressions.

We made our landfall at Stavanger and, after a few wet days, sailed south on the advice of local people, to the area between Farsund and Kristiansand on Norway's southern tip. It's a gentler landscape than the fiords further oorth, and the climate is more reliable, on a par with south-

The ribboned coastline, with its countless islands and inlets, is stunning, and the island for a day (where it is quite acceptcolours here are a constant marvel. It able to land). Motor boats can be reoted It is customary for Norwegians to have must be the clear northern air that gives a "sea house" for the summer - small cab- such a jewel-like intensity. Fields and pasins along the pine-clad slopes of a flord tures greeo and gold, distant mountains deepest hlue...

Perhaps we were lucky: for most of our stay last June the sun shone throughout the long days. In the early dawn the glassy water bears a perfect, unbroken image of the wooded shores. We would watch fishermen across the fiord sinking catches into the cool water to keep the fish fresh. . Norwegians love their scafood and you can buy it straight from the boats relatively cheaply. Food and drink, though, are generally very expensive - roughly double our

And when people go shopping, for much of the time they go by boat. Indeed, boats are the equivalent of cars in this environment, and boathouses are like garages.

These are dotted along the waterside, pretty old weatherboard huildings, often painted ox-blood red. The traditional boats many of them house are like a throwback to the last century: gleaming with varnish and full of faded nets, flats, crab pots and fish boxes.

On the whole, the inland waters are well sheltered and it's safe to head off with a picnic and choose your own deserted for between £10-20 a day or at weekly rates.

If you fancy somewhere less remote there are some wonderfully unspoilt villages (20 or so houses around a bay) and small towns to explore. At times these look almost painfully picturesque, hut they are saved from being too chocolatebox twee by the rugged landscape surrounding them. Flat space is hard to come by along the waterside and the old houses are built higgledy-piggledy up the rocks, with fretworked eaves and balconies and

tiny sun-trap gardens.
In many of the little towns, the old way of life on both land and sea is detailed in some fascinating local museums. For the most part these are refreshingly unstuffy - not a glass case in sight. There are some wonderful implements on display, made of wood and iron, worn with hard use.

Then, my particular favourites, there are the sepia-tinted photographs of craggy-faced seafarers – which might encourage you to try your hand ar fishing. Even I had some success with £5-worth of basic gear from a hardware store - after watching small boys pull large fish from the harbour

waters it seemed silly not to have a go.

If you want to venture further afield, the bus services are excellent and slightly cheaper than ours. There are also frequent mainland. And from Kristiansand you can take a day-trip to Denmark - a cheap shopping jaunt for Norwegians.

The Norwegians themselves were everfriendly and welcoming. They smile a lot, are nice to their children and never seem to lock their bikes. With only about 4m people in a country bigger than ours. I guess all that space makes for a calm life when the suo shines.

> Color Line (0191-296 1313) sails between Newcastle (North Shields) and Stavanger. Maersk Air (0171-333 0066) flies daily from Gatwick via Copenhagen to Kristiansand for £203. Norwegian Tourist Board: 5 Lower Regent Street, London SW1Y 4LR (0171-839 6255)

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DEPARTURES

plenty of capacity some deals are being extended into July. For example, to qual-ify for All Nippon Airways' cheap fare to Sydney you must leave the UK before 10 July. Until then, you can get a Heathrow-Australia flight, via Tokyo or Osaka, for £604 through Airline Network (01772 727272).

If you can depart for Australia by 30 June, Bridge The World (0171-209 9000) has an enticing deal that includes southem Africa. For £714 you can fly London-Harare on British Airways, hop across to Sydney on Qantas and fly home direct. Johannesburg and Perth are also available (with some variations in fares and taxes). In July the price leaps by £350.

The oext time that cheap fares are likely to be widely available is late October and early November. In previous years, Austravel (0171-734 7755) bas filled the

lid-June is traditionally wheo the best bargains for cheap flights to Australia back to the UK on Britannia charters. This pattern is likely to be repeated for 1996. One advantage is that you can choose from a wide range of arrival and departure points in Australia.

> From this week, Scotland becomes closer to Northern Ireland. P&O European Ferries has launched its new Jetliner fast ferry between Cairnryan and Larne, reducing the journey time by more than half to just one hour. The company has a series of day trips based on the new service, with excursions to the Giant's Causeway, Derry and the Mountains of Mourne for £18 each (bookings can be made on

The SeaCat service between Straurger and Belfast (0345 523523) continues to offer a £15 day return fare for the 90minute trip, but capacity on the route will increase greatly from 7 July - when Stena Line (0990 707070) introduces the HSS inbound journeys on the first few flights fast ferry. A day-trip ticket costs £24 of its charter series by offering a fare of return (increasing to £27 on Saturdays).

The Settle to Carlisle railway line is offering a special summer day fare from various northern-England stadous, including York, Newcastle and Durham. You pay £25 (children half-fare) for unlimited travel to, and on, England's most beautiful and frag-ile line. The deal does not apply on Fridays and Sundays.

uton becomes the hub of a new European flight oetwork from Wednesday. The new airline Debonair is starting services from the Bedfordshire airport to three European cities. The lowest return fare to each including tax – is shown in brackets:
Barcelona (£99), Dusseldorf (£87) and
Munich (£107).

Other routes are due to start up later in the summer, which will include Copenhagen, Madrid and Newcastle. You book direct on a free phone oumber, 0500 146200, or through a travel agent.

tions to Luton from Aberdeen, Edin-burgh and Glasgow, with fares starting at

Villas in Tuscany, Provence and the V Algarve are being rented out to customers tendering "reasonable offers" to the tour operator, loternational Chapters (0171-722 0722). The company still has spare fortnights at some large and classy villas, which would normally cost £5,500 to £8,600 and sleep up to 14 people. Prospective tenants for these properties can call International Chapters and make

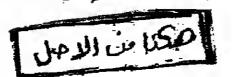
The one certainty about holidaying with friends is that you never know what will bappen. Family dynamics are unstable at the best of times. Multiply them by two or more, mix them up in a new eovironment toss in all the expectations of a holiday, and you end up with a cocktail so volatile that it should come with a health warning".

In Family Life in Section Two of the Independent on Monday, Hilary Wilce describes the hazards of holidaying en familles, and suggests ten tips for a harmonious holiday.

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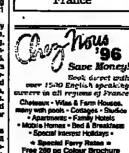


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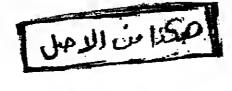
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Ridge over untroubled water: a walk in the Malvern Hills

By Clive Fewins

ou don't need an anorak and climbing boots to enjoy the vast open spaces around the Malvern Hills. Much of the 3,000 acres of common land leys, as well as the many well-maintained footpaths means is grassy sward on the lower slopes of the nine-mile chain of hills, around which six settlements cling as if glued to the rock.

There are more than 100 miles of paths crisscrossing the Malvern hills. Though steep, the hills are small in area—a total of only about three square miles—which means they are compact, and highly distinctive in out-

As you approach from the Severn vale, the scene is unforgentable: the buildings of Great Malvern, dominated by the magnificent lith-century priory church, hugging the side of the hill that rises steeply behind them.

The Malverns are not only composed of some of the

oldest rock formations in Britain, but they produce some nf the purest water in the country, which analysts have consistently found to be virtually mineral-free.

The Malvern Water, said Dr John Wall Is famed for producing just nothing at all

So goes the rhyme about a local man who studied medicine at Oxford and who is credited with being the founder of the "water cure" that brought prosperity and people to the town between 1840 and 1880. In the 1860s, in particular, thousands flocked to Great Malvern on the newly completed railway to take the water cure and

They were not as enthusiastic as present-day walkers - who frequently walk the entire ridge in a day and return by bus or taxi - but as part of their cure they took early morning walks after their first treatment and before breakfast. They usually walked to a delightful little spot in the hills called St Ann's Well.

It is still very much in business as a place of refreshment. It lies at the top of a steep climb up a narrow road that is thankfully banned to motor vehicles and is a key point for those ascending the hills from the eastern (Great Malvern) side.

The well house adjoins St Ann's Well café. This is an odd-shaped little building of local stone with a pitch pine-lined interior. It manages to retain a distinctively Edwardian feel despite the wholefood menu (served between April and October) and Irish jig recordings which have replaced the German band that played for the water cure patients.

I parked my car in St Malvern and walked for 10 minutes up the steep St Ann's Road, immediately gaining oearly a third of the 900 feet I was going to have to climb to reach the Worcestershire Beacon, at 1395ft, the highest point in the Malvern chain.

Twenty minutes later, and after a quick coffee at St Ann's Well cafe, I was on the top. From this point it is leys, as well as the many well-maintained footpaths means that you can usually see exactly where you are heading for. Navigation is rarely a problem on the Malverns.

The lower slopes include the 170 acres of Malvern Common, with the Three Counties Showground beyond. They provide gentle, after-lunch strolling country for car-borne picnickers. If you are driving try to avoid the sheep, which is difficult at this time of year.

They wander haphazardly over the open land – and the roads – and give the grass a new-mown look.

If meandering sheep drive you to distraction, head for town. Its genteel atmosphere must, I feel, owe much to the great and the good who came here in its heyday. Elgar, of course, was one of Great Malvern's most famous residents – but not the only musical one. The Victorian soprano Jennie Lind lived for seven years in the 1880s in a house facing the rangeris of The British. the 1880s in a house facing the ramparts of The British Camp, the Iron Age encampment that surrounds the summit of the second highest summit in the chain, the Herefordshire Beacon. Other famous names to have stayed frequently in Malvern include Charles Darwin, who underwent the water cure several times, Elizabeth Barrett Browning (whose parents lived oearby), Evelyn Waugh and George Bernard Shaw.

The spa years seem a far cry from today. The nearest equivalent oow is the constant flow of visitors who drive long distances to fill up with a week or two week's supply of free drinking water. On the day I visited, people from as far afield as Bromsgrove and Bristol were filling up large plastic containers at two of the springs. You can see several of these springs gushing out of the

hillside if you take the splendid panoramic 10-mile drive around the hills. If you do this, be sure to make the short diversion to see the Holy Well, situated in the road of the same name in Malvern Wells. The water there has been bottled since 1662 and Dr Wall erected the first Malvern bath house here in 1757.

If you feel like tea at the end of your drive call at Lady Foley's Tearooms. These are at Great Malvern railway station, splendidly restored after a fire in 1987. The establishment is named after the flamboyant and influential lady of the mapor who in the 1850s and 60s was largely responsible for the transformation of the little village into a fashionable town.

Her life - she had her own furnished waiting room oo the London-bound platform of the station - is well documented in the plethora of local history books on sale in the town. The fare at the modern-day tearooms may lack the opnience with which her ladyship was famil-iar but at least it stays open till 6pm seven days a week - a rare treat for tea lovers.

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Six of the best places to visit around Malvern

1 Evesham Now relieved of much of its traffic-carrying duties by a bypass, the medieval heart of this market town has the space it deserves. The 12th-century abbey gateway is particularly striking, as are the water meadows. Hungry travellers will be pleased to find that the town boasts the best collection of Balti restaurants outside Birmingham.

2 Hereford The overbearing cathedral appears rather too bulky for the human scale of the surroundings. 8ut it is a real treasure trove, starting with the ancient Mappa Mundi In the brand-new exhibition centre, which opened last month. The cathedral's other great treasure is the Library, which has the largest collection of chained books in the world. The fund of knowledge has been preserved by chaining every one of the 1,444 books.

3 Ledbury A cobbled alley runs up to the church, past the 16th-century Sutcher Row House which now houses tha town museum. Some exhibits are faintly ridiculous – the first Kodak Instamatic camera, for example -but most are fun. The oddest is the "boot bath". This is a personsized metal shoe on wheels. It was filled with water and trundled from door to door, enabling the poor to dunk themselves in it.

4 Leominster The priory is unique for having three naves, one built in each of the 12th, 13th and 14th centuries. As well as being a one-stop study of English church architecture, it features a ducking stool which was last used to immerse a scolding wife in 1809.

5 Much Marcle This village, four miles south-west of Ledbury, is notable for its yew tree (indeed, the index to a pre-war guidebook to Herelordshire ends with the entry "Yews, Notable" and a reference to the village). The churchyard is draped with a vast tree, shouldering the Norman church aside. So big is this ancient yew that a seat has been hewn from its gnarled old trunk. Inside the church yo find some exquisitely decorated tombs.

6 Upton-upon-Severn For travellers, the greatest significance of this pretty riverside town is a store on the High Street: the Map Shop, at number 15. Though its Immediate catchment area is not sufficient to sustain the stocks of weird, wonderful and wayward charts, it has a healthy mall-order business (call 01684 593146 for details). The Mappa Mundi Is not yet in stock.



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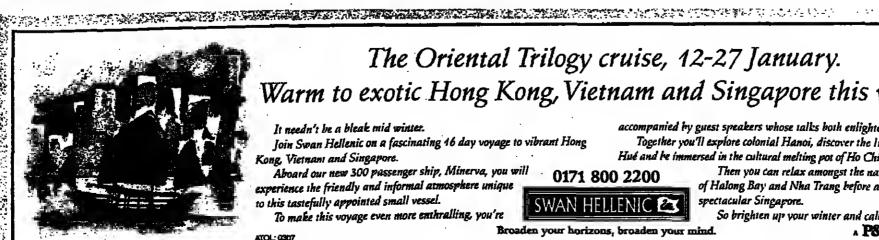
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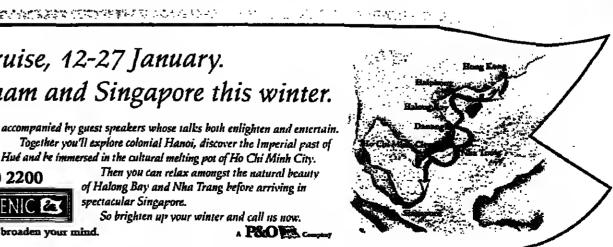
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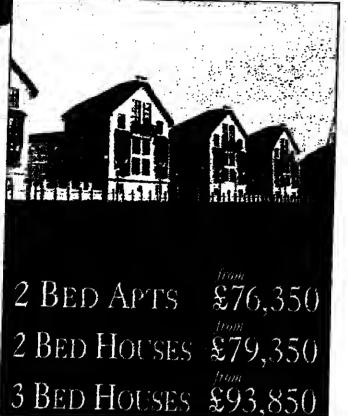
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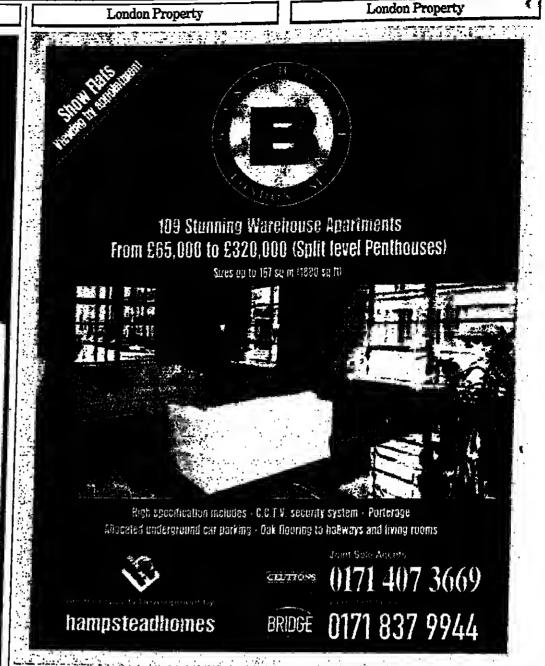
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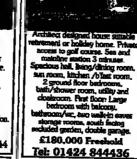


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Would you pay someone to find you a home?

And would it pay you to do so? Two househunters give contrasting views

here are those who simply move house and there others who relocate. Relocation, an Americanism if ever there was one is the sort of term applied to managers who are required to move to different towns, with all the details worked out by their employers. What happens, however, if you need to move to a different area to

start an entirely new job? There are services that non-company men are prepared to pay for: agents will cut out the hard graft of house hunting for a fee. Yet does this really take the pain out of the search, or do you end uppaying someone for a joh you could do coupling all houses! do equally well yourself?

Miranda Chalk knows all about the

frustrations of looking for a home. She has had to think hard about where to find her family's summer clothes; it isn't a matter of what cupboard, but which suitcase in whose attic. Since leaving her five-hedroom house in Twickenham she and her family have been camping with friends and relations. She never imagined that eight months after deciding to move to Circucester for her husband's job, they would still not have their own home. After her husband, David, moved

jobs as a marketing executive, she con-tinued living in Twickenham, househunting at weekends when she and her two sons, Edward and Guy, joined him. Then her parents, who by coincidence had just moved to the Cirencester area, took pity on them. Like many families, she knows the strains will begin to tell if they all stay too long under one roof. So her life is one long house-hunt and in this part of the country five-bedroom houses of the sort she is looking for are in short supply.

Mrs Chalk, who used to be the director of a charity, did not want to take on a new job until the family was well dug in. She has since discovered that moving is in itself a full-time occupation. "There isn't time for anything else. I'm either waiting for an estate agent to ring or I'm looking at houses. It's like being on an emotional rollercoaster and it's exhausting keeping the momentum going."

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TORYOTH DIST OF ME It seems clear now, she says, that they should have started looking for property in earnest far earlier. But once the decision had been takeo to. move out of the London area; their



When the Chalks needed to move, the first consideration was finding a school for Edward and Guy (above). It wasn't a problem, tooking for a new home is.

"I thought I had six months, so started looking by myself in Pimlico, Greenwich and Blackheath. I was

absolutely exhausted, hecause there

was no time to do it properly. I was also

nervous about buying because I was

panicked into buying a flat in Croydon eight years ago which I couldn't sell. I

bought it for £38,000 and my company

first consideration had been schools. This, more than anything else, provided the focus of their search.

Could Miranda Chalk have done anything that would have smoothed her move? A greater initial sense of urgency may have helped, she feels, but apart from that they have done it by the book. She had considered paying for a homesearch, however given that her difficulties are chiefly those of a shortage of houses in the area, it might not have been of any benefit.

However, for anyone without the inclination to read through wadges of house details, a homesearch agency has its attractions. Tim Donovan, whose work in international relations takes him abroad a good deal, was faced with his office moving out of London to Canterbury. He decided, though, he did not want to live in Kent.

was prepared to huy it from me for £22,000. I didn't want to make the PENNY JACKSON same mistake again."

After two months, Mr Donovan, went to a Homesearch Agent, Moving On. They eventually suggested his best option would he a house in Greenwich. "They would go and see about 10 houses a week and take me round two or three. They were good at pointing out little things I might not have noticed. They also found out where the biggest supermarket was and the best route to Canterbury. It made me feel more confident and I found a place after a mooth."

Tim Donovan paid a £500 fee and one and half per cent of his purchase price on completion. "It turned out to be an essential luxury for me," he says. "One of the most sensible things that I have spent my money on."

But what happens if the agent is unable to find the right house? The original registration fee generally covers a three- to four-month search period and it is important to check whether the agency will carry on looking. Some may require a further fee, but if that is the case it is usually deductible from the final fee. Nicholas Beaumont, director of Moving On, says that he charges only one fee and

continues to the bitter end, "As long

as you are doing a good joh, clients

understand if there is nothing suitable

coming on to the market. My contract

does not specify a period of time and

1 try to see clients through until they

do find something they want." Association of Relocation Agents 01273 624455. Moving On 01233 813535

Househunter

Pirton Grange, Shillington, Beds



Fur anyone who wants to put clear water between themselves and the rest of the world, a house with a moat is for sale in Hertfordshire. Pirton Grange, near Shillington, Bedfordshire, is thought to have its origins in the 15th century, and the smoke blackened roof timbers suggest it may once have been a Hall Huuse. It is in need of complete resturation but is unique in that virtually nothing has been altered in the past 100 years. The installation of electricity and a bathroom were the only changes of note. The Hanscomhe family let the house in 1878 until 1952, when it was bought by the tenants. It has about two acres of grounds with a gatehouse, old bake house and dairy. It will be sold at auction un 12 July. and is expected to go fur well over £200,000. Agents are Jackson-Stops & Staff (0171-589 4536).

For what it's worth

The growth in rented accommodation over the past few years has seen a mushrooming of letting agents, not all uf whom are well versed in the complexities of regulations and tenancy agreements. What do you do, for example, if as a landlord your house is trashed by the tenants, or as a tenant your landlord refuses to hand over the deposit at the end of the tenancy? If the agent is a member of the Association of Residential Letting Agents (ARLA) you can at least use their arbitration service.

At the association's annual conference last week, members were told about new competency tests they will have to undergo by the end of the decade. Malcolm Harrison, of ARLA, said the public wanted to use people with recognised qualifications. The landlord has to be happy because we are dealing with his prized possession, and tenants must be happy because they need to know if things go wrong in their home they will be put

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A comfortable living from bricks. mortar, bacon and eggs

At least that's how the Hoskins found the B&B experience. By Peter Lis



it turns out, we've had all sorts. from hikers to hackpackers." Four years after taking the decision to relocate from Croydon to Buxton in Derbyshire, Alex and Patti Hoskin are living the middle England dream of running their own bed and breakfast house in one of Britain's most picturesque regions.

Both are former teachers: Patti was

a lecturer in Human Development for 10 years and Alex retired last July after 20 years in education, the last 11 as a headteacher.

"It's an old cliché: we both wanted an alternative way of earning money so that we could escape the rat race. We ing 30 minutes to travel three miles. We chose Buxton primarily because we to go into business."

The conversion from family home to best part of £10,000 and three years' disruption to accomplish. In addition, there and location. are substantial on-going maintenance,

ture on food, cleaning and laundry hills.
"The English Tourist Board was immensely helpful. They took us through all the planning regulations

and other start-up routines as well as telling us that it takes on average four years to achieve a reasonable turnover." Undeterred, the Hoskins opened Stoneridge for business on Patti's birth-day in May 1995 and, thanks in part to last year's long hot summer, they are set to be

in profit after only one year's trading. But surely it's a daunting prospect, opening your house to complete strangers every evening?

"We've been pleasantly surprised.

Having had no previous experience, we were fed up with seeing concrete all the set out to create the kind of place that way from Croydon to Enfield, and tak- we would want to stay in ourselves warmth and comfort were our priorities as well as making people feel welenjoy walking in the countryside but come. Once we got going it came as aren't you staying with us? Now we also with the idea that once the last of something of a surprise to discover that the kids had left home we would he able we were perceived as being at the upper end of the market."

As any estate agent will tell you, the business premises eventually cost the key factors in selecting a property for the B&B business are location, location

"The sign outside has paid for itself

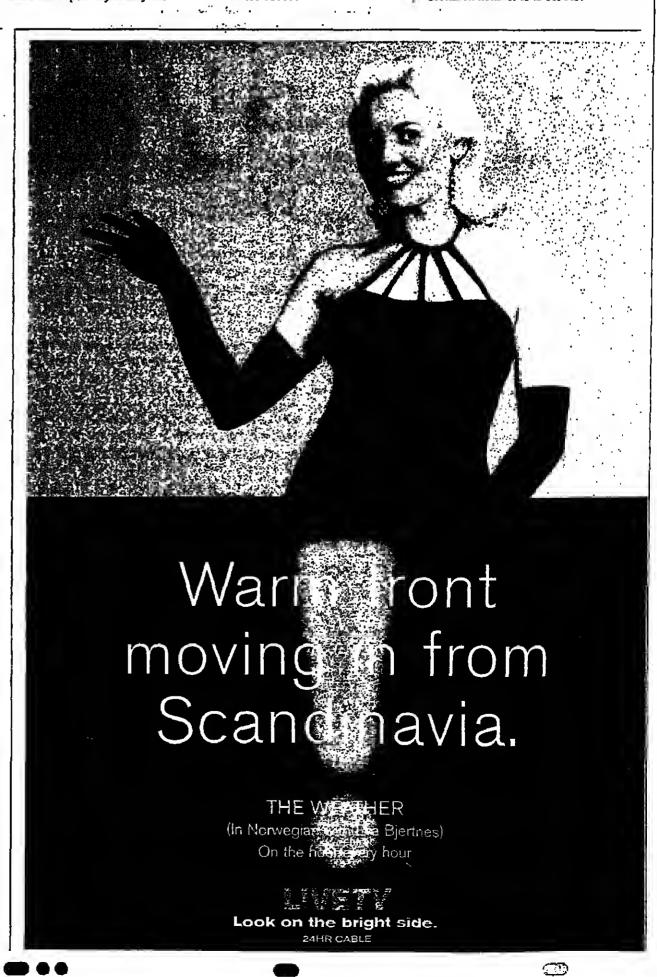
riginally, we said we couldn't advertising and insurance costs to be 10 times over," says Patti. "And it helps take highes with earnings but, as budgeted for along with daily expenditure that we've got the opera house just that we've got the opera house just round the corner. The local tourist information office was the main source for most of our initial bookings. Nowadays, we are starting to get repeat husiness and word of mouth recommendations by previous customers are beginning to have an impact."

With the benefit of a year's experience and another scorching period in prospect this summer, the idea of making a comfortable living from the unlikely combination of bricks and mortar and bacon and eggs is one to relish.

"Although we are tied to the house for the majority of the day, I don't find it stressful," says Patti. "If anything, a little more mental stimulation wouldn't

Alex adds: "At the beginning I found myself walking round the town, look-ing at the tourists and thinking, "Why week. It all evens out over the year."

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The simplest and most infallible recipe for making money from the stock market remains having a lot to invest in the first place and living a long time

are the better bet for making money over the medium to longer term? The debate has been going on for years, but there is no doubt which side is now ahead on points. In America, where they debate these issues far more seriously than we do bere, the value school of investors those who look for companies selling at bargain prices - has declared victory. A key piece of evidence that is oow bandled about oo Wall Street is some research by a well-known US academic, Eugene Fama. His research, reported in the academic Journal of Finance in 1992, found clear evidence that buying shares which were trading at a low multiple of their earnings or book value (the latter is what we in the UK tend to call halance-sheet oet worth) was a proveo way of making money over time. Gamour stocks, by cootrast, those with fancy ratings, have been shown to produce less dramatic returns and ofteo underperform the stock market over time.

The reason is that, however good the companies with the fancy ratings may be, there is a limit to how much money investors can make from them ooce the prices have soared so far ahead of the reality. Read the academics' papers and the evidence seems pretty conclusive.

Needless to say, the proponents of growth stocks have been fighting back as well. They now point to some research by another American academic, Jeremy Siegel of Wharton, who found that everything depends on the time frame you look at. His study looked back at one of the most ootorious bull-market phases in Wall Street's history, the early 1970s, when companies of all sizes traded at what, in retrospect, quickly appeared to be ludicrous multiples of earnings and asset value. This was the era of the Nifty

Fifty, when even the mighty IBM was selling at 30 or 40 times its earnings.
Yet, calculated Siegel, if you had bought all 50 stocks at their peak in December 1972, you would still have outperformed the market as a whole in the subsequent 20 years. It is striking further proof, if you need it, that you can prove almost anything you want with statistics merely by picking the right start and end date. The plain man's coordusion in this is obvious. It is the common sense one that no method of stockpicking works infallihly all the time, and that trying to turn a theory into successful investment practice is much harder than it looks on paper. Usually it takes quite a loog time

JONATHAN DAVIS



Investments

it is time to stop. The simplest and most infallible recipe for making money from the stock market remains having a lot to invest in the first place and living a long time. Meet those two criteria and it is a piece of cake, whatever the academics

Collowing my receot pieces about the likely impact of a Labour victory on the financial markets, I see that even the Speciator has now prudeotly decided to commission an article examining how to get it right - and even then you have investors might make money under a to know when the world has changed and Blair government. Their pundit, Mark

he Government's plan for a

partnership with insurance

companies to promote insur-

ance policies to pay for longterm care and help pensioners

protect their homes from being

sold is getting a general thumbs-down from the insurance industry, the pen-sioners' lobby in the shape of Age Concern, and professionals in the

industry represented by the Continu-ing Care Conference. The deadline for comments on the consultation document expired yes-

terday. The general view is that the doc-

ument is a step in the right direction, but the proposals as they stand are not

generous enough and will appeal only

to a narrow slice of the market, mainly

those with assets of less than £75,000.

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Archer, a director of Baring Asset Man-agement, shares my view that there is little left to play for in the stock market ahead of the oext election, but reckons (like Stephen Lewis, whom I also quoted receotiy) that buying gilts at 9 per cent on the eve of the poll could well turn out

to be a shrewd move. The premise is that if Labour wins, Gordon Brown will want to make his first Budget as tough as possible, to get the hard decisions out of the way early and to establish Labour's anti-inflationary credibility with the bond markets. This was hardly high oo past Labour governments' agendas, but in today's closely integrated economic world, is now a sine qua non for any wannabe successful modern political party.

Receot experience in Italy, where the bond market has rallied since the left-ofcentre coalitioo's election win, shows that the traditional mantra about Labour victories - bad for gilts, not so bad for equities - may not hold quite so well this

time round. The last two Labour governments were catastrophic for holders of gilts, producing substantial real losses. But oow, says Archer, bonds may well out-perform equities after the 1997 election. That is certainly possible, but I wouldn't

bank on it just yet. Life will certainly no. be quite that simple, and if Lubour wins, there is no guarantee that it will be either competent enough or determined cough to fulfil all its good intentions. Only the most fervent believe that the world has changed utterly and for good, and few doubt that there will have to be at least a couple of runs at sterling before Mr Blair has finished getting his

furniture in place at Number 10.
But all this does underline the point that a Labour victory is already quite well priced ioto the markets. For those who prefer the wisdom of a Wall Street trader to the thoughts of a pukka merchant banker, there is also the additional evidence of the length of eigerette butts in London. They are getting shorter - an infallible leading indicator, said Victor Niederhoffer on his recent flying visit in

the UK, of an impending Labour victory. This is far more compelling evidence. but don't forget that it was only a year or so ago that everyone was saying that Bill Clinton had no hope of being re-elected. Now it is impossible to get decent odds against him doing so. Common sense and conventional wisdom may already be discououng the result of the next election, but the value bets are still to be found on the other side.

A small, faltering step for the elderly

Government plans for a partnership with insurers to pay for long-term care have not been well received



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Once their insurance is exhausted they would be able to claim state support at an earlier stage than at present, enabling them, for example, to protect long-term care industry, they also place too much emphasis on protecting assets and not enough oo the equally important issues of ensuring for 27 months would be 36 per cent there are eoough homes to meet the also protect £50,000 worth of assets from being sold, but the savings diminish as the amount protected increases.

vide a consistent quality of care It means the Government scheme is If the Government ignores these attractive only to individuals with assets issues there is a real risk that the pro- under £75,000, says CCC. Giving £2 term care for elderly people funded by ance would offer savings of 25 per cent insurance, and further disadvantage those who rely wholly oo state belp. which would be more relevant to peo-The proposals also fail to address the ple in South-east England. problem of providing financial help to

encourage elderly people to stay in The average cost of residential care ranges from about £15,000 a year in the years is attractive to no one, and if this time-related option is pursued the North to £20,000 a year in the South- £15,000 protection should be £45,000 bought should apply in this case. east, and nursing care can add an extra and the support should cut in after three years.

£5,000 a year. Most people needing care will have a pension but typically Scottish Provident also endorses a will need another £10,000 a year to pay plan for £2 of protection for each £1 of insurance. Alternatively it wants a for care, even without little luxuries. A man of 60 can buy a policy from time-limited plan which will allow any-Commercial Unioo now, paying a single premium of £8,855 or £62 a month one who insures for three to four years of care in full to exempt all remainto get £10,000 worth of cover a year ing assets from claims. (indexed to provide an extra 5 per cent a year to cover the expected rise in But the amount of cover permitted

is not the only issue. The definition of annual costs). It will pay out once he fails three of the six recognised tests for looking after himself at home. A who is eligible for residential and oursing care also needs to be standardised, or there is a real danger of disputes women would have to pay £16,472 or over when claims can be made.

£77.70 a month and premiums needed to take out a policy rise with age to £9,346 or £86.10 a month for a man the Government for their inability to claim protected assets ring-fenced under the partnership plan they will reduce the standard of care they can document published on 7 May pro-fund or raise the qualifications before they agree to finance care.

long-term care insurance plan which pays a set amount of money for a limister of partnership plans and a national interesting plans and a national

approval system in order to create the degree of consumer confidence needed in such a sensitive area.

Since the great majority of people who would find partnership insurance attractive have most of their money tied up in their homes, they will also need to take out equity release schemes which allow them to obtain the cost of the insurance premiums by taking out a new mortgage on their homes. The loan is only repaid when the pensioner needing care and any surviving spouse are both deal and the bouse is sold.

Respectable equity release schemes already exist but income withdrawal plans designed to generate extra income from house values in the Eighties had a chequered history. Stalwart, one of the specialist companies which offer equity release, has told the Government that pensioners will need maximum reassurance that any new schemes are safe and represent value for money. Stalwart also insists the Government will have to ensure that tax relief is available on such remortgages, however long they last, and that the annuity bought with the proceeds qualifies for full tax relief, which under present rules it might not.

Individuals who have not been able to purchase partnership schemes worth of protection for each £1 of insur-should also he allowed to purchase "immediate needs" annuities which and shelter assets up to £100,000, start paying out at once, although in order to provide an incentive for taking out long-term care insurance early The Government's second option in life the level of asset protection for of protecting only £15,000 plus £1 for immediate needs annuities should be £1 insured for individuals after four less than the recommended £2 for £1. CCC suggests the £1.50 worth of protectioo for each £1 of insurance

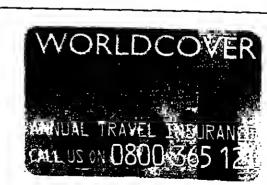
One essential element in whatever plans are finally agreed is, however, likely to be in short supply. Stalwart insists the essectial ingredient is simplicity. The industry still has some way to go in making the advantages of the plans comprehensible to the layman.

There is no doubt the need for longterm care is growing inexorably and the Government's willingness to finance it out of public money is shrinking visibly. The Labour Party is unlikely to come to the rescue of the growing army of elderly people who find themselves too well off to claim state benefit in full and too poor to pay for care out of their pensions. Only one persoo in five currently oceds to go into a home and if the proposed partnership insurance plans do not look attractive they are unlikely to solve the problem because the public will not huy them. More work is needed, and quickly, to establish a consensus for action.

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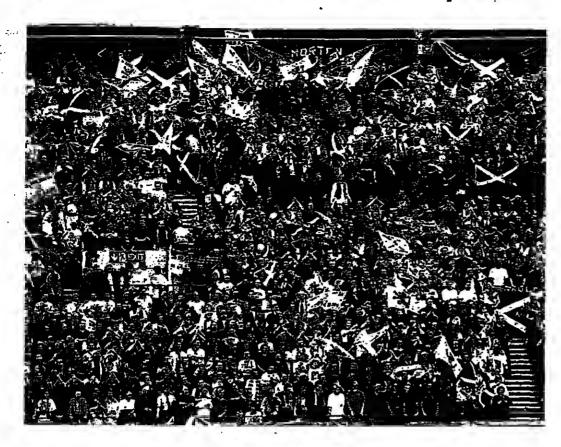
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Open season for pickpockets and credit-card thieves

Don't get turned over at the turnstiles or accosted on the costas. By Tom Tickell



hoever emerges as the champion for Euro 96, credit card thieves will almost certainly be the other great winners over the next few weeks. For thieves it means the traditional summer boliday peak has started early.

The first pickings are already coming in as hordes of supporters fight their way in and out of the stadiums and then battle their way home on public transport. That is where the professional gangs appear.

In the evening, supporters will be celebrating a magnificent victory or drowning their sorrows, and will be balf-cut lambs for the slaughter.

Cards also traditionally get lost Spain topped the league of card, details and do all cancellations for apply, you still bave to survive apply, you still bave to survive cards turning out to have been according to specialist insurers was the riskiest city, followed by Florence, Madrid, Prague and Moscow.

When people notice cards have gone missing they often believe they have left them in their botel and that they will turn up somewhere. That drives the giant issuers like the banks and building societies to despair: Barclaycard claims that one customer m four does not get round to reporting that his or her card has been, swift cancellation of all cards at stolen until at least 24 hours after risk, and both CPP and Sentinel noticing it has gone. Inevitably thieves run up most of their fraudulent spending within the

first 48 bours. Millions of people nowadays Whatever may have happened have more than one credit card. to crime elsewhere, however, The spate of low-cost American cards from the likes of MBNA and People's Bank, charging perhaps two-thirds of the monthly that cashiers have to check with

interest rates that Access and Barclaycard demand on unpaid balances, means the numbers are rising rapidly.

Apart from a multiplicity of credit cards there are dehit cards and cheque guarantee cards (where they are not combined), store cards, charge cards and company cards as well, almost always stored together in the same wallet or bandbag.

If they are stolen, there are, in each case, freephone numbers to ring to report the loss of each one, provided you can remember them or bave them safe at bome.

the time or the temperament to keep track of their own details can delegate the responsibility, for a fee. Two groups - Card Protection or stolen on holiday. Last year Plan and Sentinel - will store all the card itself.: -

They will also store numbers stolen, followed by the Czech for motor insurance, house and Republic, Portugal and Italy, contents cover and the copies of the contracts themselves if need for a year to cover all the credit cards in a household, with £21 for

CPP will levy an annual fee of £8 for someone on their own and twinkle; not in a scientist's but a £13 for a couple. People can choose between them but usually they buy them through a bank or credit card group, which will only offer one or the other.

A single call will trigger the ensure their own freephone numbers appear on key rings, plastic cards to be kept at bome and lug-

credit-card fraud is only half what it was five years ago. Banks now impose lower "floor limits" so

the card companies' central computers that a particular card is valid for transactions worth, say, £50 and not £100. The process takes a couple of seconds

That has certainly cut crime in stores and the supermarkets. Meanwhile, service stations can lock into a computer hase - and get an answer in a couple of seconds on whether cards have been

But card issuers still lost over £83.3m through card fraud last year - and 1.6 million credit cards went missing. In theory you bave to pay the first £25 or £50 of any Cardholders who do not bave loss depending on the issuer, but charges are not imposed unless you are extremely slow in reporting losses or do something as crass as writing your PIN number on

> without cards, and that is no fun if you are travelling around on business or pleasure.

More could be done to cut use of stolen cards, but British citizens are extremely reluctant to a three-year contract and £38 for submit to having their pictures taken. The ultimate form of card security may bowever just be a customer's eye.

The iris in your eye may only be one of five colours, but the dots and patterns within it are unique. Ultimately the idea is that people using cards would look into a machine connected directly to a database and type in their PIN numbers. The machine would then decide whether the card and iris pattern went together.

All that is some way ahead and in the meanwhile life and theft continue.

> CPP's treephone number is 0800 330000. Sentinel can be contacted on 0800 414717



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investors still have notil will be asked if they prefer a capital plus 20 per cent over five are on the way out, according to 24 June to register with a discount of 10p a share on the share shop and qualify for the second instalment - also special incentives when they buy shares in British Energy next month. With a postal strike in prospect, registering by phone might be prudent. The offer opens on 26 June, when the full price is also published, and closes at noon on 10 July. Just over 1.1 million investors had registered by 12 June, slightly more than Railtrack at the same stage, although the British Energy

build-up will last a week less.. The first payment will be 100p a share for all investors, and the minimum application will be for 300 shares at £300. Investors who register and apply through a share shop

expected to be around 100p which will be payable on 16 September next year, or a free one-for-15 bonus issue of

The discount applies only to the first 1,200 shares bought and held until the second instalment is due. The bonus offer applies to the first 1,800 shares bought and held until July 1999. An interim dividend of 4.6p share net of tax will be paid

shares at the end of July 1999.

payable in July 1997. Birmingham Midshires has launched three new Elsas (equity-linked savings accounts). One guarantees the return of

years even if the FT-SE index falls. A second allows up to half the investment into a fixed interest account earning 8 per cent until next September. The third earns up to 1.5 times any rise in the index, with early redemption if the index rises 25 per cent after three years, and a 20 per cent return if the index

£2,500. BZW is launching a new FT-SE-Linker bond which matures in three years and will be listed on the Stock Exchange. It will deliver rises in the index in full, in January 1997 followed by a final dividend of 9.1p a share a capital guarantee if the index falls and could be charged to capital gains not income tax. Minimum investment is £2,000.

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brokers Chase de Vere, because the lenders have gained all the extra husiness they can handle. It is now offering a Lifestyle over the London money market rate, revised quarterly, no fees, daily interest calculation, no redemption fees after three years and the right to slow down or speed up repayments.

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FEAR OF FINANCE Clifford German



cynic might say the Western world will only Gennady Zyuganov wins the Russian presidential control on the Russian

The West has largely watched while the old production and distribution has collapsed, creating masrunaway inflation, while living standards for most of plunged to Third World

levels and below. Only a tiny proportion of they were a decade ago. Russia has also been isolated diplomatically while its former satellites in eastern Europe have been encouraged to move under the military wing of Nato and the economic umbrella of the European Community.

If Mr Zyuganov wins, and he might well do so, he is unlikely to pose as a kind of cuddiy Social Democrat. like the reformed Communists who have already returned to power and influence in Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic in the wake of disappointment with the progress

of economic reform. Neither can he expect much sympathy and help from the Group of Seven or the IMF and World Bank, who have been heavily backing Boris Yeltsin's campaign for re-election by feeding in financial aid to help reduce the Russian government's public deficit, hold down inflation and reflate the hanking system.

Clearly something strange is going on in Russia at the moment, at a time when only 2 per cent a month.

The withdrawal of this aid if Mr Zyuganov wins Thave itself to blame if will aggravate the crisis for Russia, encourage Mr Zyuganov to reimpose conelection and tries to reim- trols and add to the turmoil pose a framework of state which a change of government is bound to create in the ranks of the appuratchiks who now control the Kremlin. That could, in Soviet system of planned turn, provoke a military coup, something the world has been spared since the sive unemployment and downfall of the Soviet system.

In the circumstances population have those Western investors who have invested in Russia since the downfall of the Communists will be shaking the population, most of in their shoes. But hope them speculators and crim-inals, are better off than & Colonial, arguably London's leading experts on investment opportunities in emerging markets, have an investment vehicle, Rusco, ready to launch at a moment's notice if the outcome of the election is favourable and president Yeltsin wins the run-off

next month. It will invest mainly in second-line companies, especially those known to its Indian-hased partner. the Sun Group, which has 40 years experience of doing business in Russia.

F&C is not exactly touting for small investor husiness. The minimum suhscription will be \$25,000, it will only trade the shares weekly and 20 days' notice is required for selling orders to reflect the illiquidity of the Russian stock market, Redemptions will also be limited to 5 per cent of the fund.

However, the fund manager, Scott Delman, expects a feeding frenzy if Yeltxin wins and some of the Russian bulls are talking of a 500 per cent profit in the next two years. In particular. short-term rouhle bills funds which have made issued by the Russian gov-ernment are yielding 130 gary are expected to switch per cent while inflation is to Russia in the hope of making a killing.

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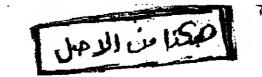
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£200,000 worth of trouble

George Snow's worst mistake was getting heavily into debt to equip a showpiece studio that soon became obsolete. He talked to Corinne Simcock

George Snow, 47, is an award-winning graphic designer, television director and video artist. After being expelled from Hornsey Art College in 1970 for striking the head of department, his career began working for Oz magazine and a number of other underground publications. Today he is a partner of the Society of Workers in the Incandescent Media (SWIM) - which designs Worldwide Wcb sites on the Internet

the 1980s my first computer was a little Sinclair which cost around £100. I was so thrilled with my new toy and the fact that I could actually program it that within two months I had gone to my bank and asked for a £4,000 loan to huy a higger and better machine.

Before long I was totally obsessed with writing programs. I started buying all sorts of add-ons so that I could do colour graphics and pretty soon I was sufficiently good that oo one could understand what I was doing. At that point I decided to become a video

director and put all my snazzy software ideas to good use. I was very fortunate in that I became successful very quickly. The more successful I became, the more money 1 was paid, and soon it was time to expand my working environment.

I bought more computers, more video machines, more sound equipment and so on. I was very comfortably off, the work was coming in thick and fast, and my reputation was getting better and better.

The total cost of the equipment was around £200,000. I paid about a third of it from my profits and the rest was raised by increasing my mortgage and taking out bank

loans and overdrafts. But suddenly, in the early Nineties almost as if somebody had switched off the lights - interest rates went through the roof and simultaneously my work just evaporated.

To cap it all, the wooderful working environmeot which I had created began to go wrong. The machines needed servicing; they became less and less functional as time went oo, and by about 1994 I found myself with a ooe function: a vision mixer which only studio full of obsolete equipment and a lot of heavy duty loans.

My accountant had told me I would get 10 per cent depreciation on capital expenditure over the year, but in fact both the Inland Reveoue and accountant knew something I didn't, which was that all of that stuff goes

out of date or loses value dramatically. My broadcast video equipment actually



George Snow: "My repayments rose dramatically, I was in big trouble"

depreciated by 50 per cent a year, I had a visioo mixer which cost £16,000 and an edit controller which cost £12,000, but when I went along to second-hand equipment dealers they just langhed at me, "You can't be serious," said one. "Nobody wants that sort of stuff; you can't even sell it in Iran or Algeria."

It will take me until the year 2003 to pay for equipment which is now worse than useless, because I can't even give it away.

The first lesson to learn is that you should oever buy what is known as a "turn-key" system, in other words, a system which only has mixes vision images, or a sound console which nly mixes sound.

Today, just one capable computer with the correct software can replace all of that dedicated hardware. So whenever I have to invest in more equipment, I make sure it can do a range of tasks.

In those days, there wereo't so many choices. Everyooe was terribly impressed mistakes.

when they saw my studio in the late Eighties, but if I had had more sense I would have hired its equipment rather than bought it.

It was all right to borrow as much as I liked on my rising income, but as soon as my income fell and my repayments rose dra-matically, I was in big trouble. My mortgage alone had risen to £2,700 a month, and for two people this is a hell of a lot of mooey to find, but oo top of that I was paying £875 a mooth for a business loan.

The upshot is that although interest rates eventually came down and my mortgage, dropped to £1,700 a month, the only sensible thing to do was to sell the house in London and buy a flat elsewhere.

If I'd been sensible and sunk my money into the house, I would have had a much greater degree of security. On the other hand, that would have been boring. I can't honestly say I have any regrets, but I certainly wouldn't advise anyone else to make the same FIDELITY INVESTMENT TRUSTS

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Genoma Craven and Stephen McGaun in the
Lamily Wild West musical. Emply With West Imascal.

Sodier's Wells Reschery Avenue, ECL (0171-278 8916) ◆ Angel. Last performances today 2.30 & 7.30, 17.50-E25, 155 mins.

CHAPTER TWO
Then Canal and Sharon Citers fall foul of a matchusaker in Neil Simon's councely.
Gielgad Shaftenbury Avenue, W1 (0171-494 505) & Procedity Circus, Mon-Fri S.DO, Sat 8.15, [5] 3.00, [7] 5.00, booking cartil 13 July, 110.50-624. 150 mins.

Angela Thorne in Aychbourn's connedy furifier. Servy Strand, WCZ (3171-836 8887) & Char X Mon-Sar 7.30, [4][7] 3.00, £12-£24, 160 mins.

COMPANY
Sem Mendes' revival of Sommerin's musical.
Albery St Martin's Lane, WC2 (0171-369 1730)

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COMMUNISS
Steven Bertoff in his idiosyncratic version.
Memoid Puddle Dock, EC4 (0171-236-221)
96/ER3 Blackfriats, The-Sat 7.30, [7] 3.00,
ends 20 July, £9.50.118.50, const gynitoble.
195 mins.

JUNEAN CORPUS Jim Brondbent in Alim Bennett's farce. Downer Warehouse Emiliam Street, WC2 (0)71-094 (752) 9-Leis Sq. Mon-Sat 8,00, [5][7] 4,00, ends 27 July. £12-£18. L35 mins. An IEEA INCREASES
Peter Hall's revival of his 1992 production.
Old Ne Waterloo Road, SEI (0171-928 6665)
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3.00, ends 27 July, £6-£2A, 165 mins.

AN INSPECTOR CALLS An INSPECTION CALLS
Stephen Dailory's widely-acclaimed production of JB Priesting's thriller.
Garnick Charing Cross Road, WC2 (0171-494 SDS) 49-Leis Sp. Moor-Fn 745, Sat 8.15, [4] 2.30, [7] 5.00, £9-£34.50, 110 mins.

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Today 2.00 & 7.15. 165 mins.
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Simon Russell Beale stars in Matthew Franck production of Stoppard's comedy.
Today 2.15 & 7.30. 135 mins.
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The Batapus Vanbrugh's boisterous Restoration councily is directed by Lan Judge.
Last perit today 200 & 7.15, 180 mins.
Barbican Theater: 56:245.0, The Pic 110£17, Barbican Centre, EC2 (0171-638 8991)

Barbican/Moorgate.

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PASSING Michael Bull and Marin Priedman star in Sephen Sondheim and James Lapine's

award-winning musical.

Queen's Shaftenbury Avenue, WI (0171-494
5590kc 344 4444) & Picc Circ, Mon-Sai 8.00,
[4][7] 3.00, £13.50-£30, £35 mins. Partice Lives
Method & Madoem's punchy production of
Necl Coward's marital comedy.
Lyric Horomesmith King Street, W6 (0181-741-731) @ Hammersmith, 15 June, 2.30 &
7.30, £7.50-£17.50, 136 mins.

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RAW top spectracle from Olivier Aswardwinning choreographer Dein Perry,
Lynic Staffechury Arenne, W1 (0171-494
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THE TRANSPEST
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Beyond the West End

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Song at Smooth Topics recorded by Sean

O'Clasty and bit life are the impiration for
Niall Boggy's one-man show. Mon-Sat Byrn,
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available. Avenue Rand, NW3 (0171-722

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swillside. Carreno Street, Richmond (0181
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Mezart's K62 Fismo Quintet, Sen 3.15pm.
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OPERA East Molesey
RAMPTON COURT PRIACE OPERA NORTH
The Marriage of Figure Opera North with a
concert performance of Motant's chank,
combusted by Richard Parnes. Renight 7pm.
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directed by Peter Sellurs and conducted by
William Christic, Theby Sym. 210-211.
Glyndebourne House (01273-813813)

London ONBON COLUSING: 200 La Relume A revival of Serven Puntoti's original production of Puccini. Techy 2.30pm 4.7-32pm, 8-25, St Marini's Lase, WC2 (0171-632 8300) ◆ Leic Sq.

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Mahmon Tim Albery's staging of Verdi.
Thuight 730pm, 25-E125. Cort Gdm, WC2
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Today 2,30pm-5,30pm, free.

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Family Fam Day Souvehing for everyone,
Stevenage Museum St George's Way (01438354252) Rodry 11,30m-3,30pm, 50p-62,50.

Runners up: Mrs H Jenkins, Bodmin; D Maycock, Rawdon, Leeds; G Hill, Rhiwbina, Cardiff; Mrs C Whittail, Botley, Southampton; J Shackleton, Jericho, Oxford; Mrs N Harmer, Hythe; Norman Thomas, Watford; Mr L Barnard, Northampton; Susan Chapman, Calvery, Pudsey; Mr R Routledge, Peterlee, Co. Durham

AUCTIONS

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Cryptic winner: Peter Bradley, Malvern

Concise winner: Mrs D Crawford, Godalming

Runners-up: Mr E Speight, Southport; Phil Coulson, Chelmsford, Toby Phillips, Loudon SE24

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Television Panorana 9.30pm BBC1. The Government's handling of BSE. Get your teeth our of the by Gerard Gilbert | entrecote and judge for yourself (743671). Björn Berg (above) and his long-running battle for tennis supremacy with John McEnroe. "I'm normal, he's abnormal," quoth SuperMac (506017). Film: The King of Cornetly (Martin Scorsess 1983 US) 10pm C4: Talentiess, insensitive neith Robert De Niro will do anything to be like his. TV idol, played straight by Jerry Lewis (1562).

> The Monday Play: United States 7.45pm R4. The story of the original Samese twins, Chang and Eng Bunker, and how they used the profits from freak-show appearances to try to live out the American dream...

False Economy Spin C4. Will Hutton concludes his look at the state we're in by castigating the specing but widespread privatisation of the Western States for being undersocratic and the special costs.

Dickie Bird: a Rare Species 9.45pm BBC2. Titibute to the outgoing umpire (885168). Strange Days 11.15pm BBC2: Journalist Catherine Bernett (above) fights back against. the fide of unreason - from astrology to allert abductions - and looks for a reason to explain their growing popularity (434031).

The Moguis 10.35pm R5. David Mellor's investigation of the big sporting promoters continues. with the shock-headed, motormouthed boxing magul Dan King - even he may find it hand to get a word in edgeways with our David.

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Sunday television and radio

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7.30 Jim Henson's Animal Show 7.55 Playdays 8.15 Italianissimo (R) (7196239).

8.30 Breakfast with Frost (87500). 9.30 The Good Book Guide (R) (S) (9623500). 9.45 First Light (S) (510852).

10.15 See Hear! (S) (608061).
10.45 This Multimedia Business (R) (S) (4587784).
11.00 Pride and Prejudice: From Page to Screen.
Andrew Davies on how he transferred Jane
Austen's classic to television (R) (S) (8790). 11.30 A Country House Reborn (R) (S) (6719), * 12.00 CountryFile (S) (12852). 12.30 On the Record (37806). *

1,30 EastEnders Omnibus (R) (S) (6982429). *
2,55 Columbo. Nicol Williamson guest stars as a mind-control expert suspected of murder (3958177). * 4.10 Masterchef 1996. The second semi-final. Loyd

Grossman is joined by River Café chef Rose Grey, and restaurateur, Michael Chow (S) (2500235). 4.45 Songs of Praise. From Huddersfield Town Hall, 5.40 Regional News (176239).

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5.45 Euro 96 Live, Live coverage of Croatia v Denmark from Hillsborough, Plus highlights of Russla v Common (5) (39982581).

Germany (S) (39982581). 8,00 No Bananas, 7/10, Dorothea finally submits to Sir

Cecil (S) (788055). * Cecil (S) (788055). *

8.50 Birds of a Feather (R) (S) (752413). *

9.20 A Royal Scandal. Parallels aplenty with the ongoing Charles and Diana sage In this historical drama starring Richard E Grant as the future

George IV, pressurised by public opinion into marrying Caroline of Brunswick, although they had nothing in common and he already had a mistress. See Preview, p28 (S) (644142). *

10.20 News, Weather (757429). *

10.35 SIES White Palace (Luis Mandoki 1990 US). Very fine adult romance in which twentysomething yuppie James Spader gets involved with fortysomething waitress Susan Sarandon (S) (78835535). "

12.15 Golf - US Open. Highlights (S) (32369). 12.45 Eller Desert Bloom (Eugene Corr 1986 US). Slow but well-observed domestic drama set in smalltown 1950s Nevada Desert, where the Annabeth Gish is coming of age. Gish's traumatised former soldier father (Jon Voight), meanwhile, is making life difficult for everyone with his drinking and his advances on Auntie Ellen Barkin (769272). *

2.30 Weather (5520104). To 2.35am. REGIONS. Wales: 12.00pm Homeland. 2.30 News Headlines, Weather,

BBC2

6.15 Open University: Pure Maths (6591158). 6.40
Maths Methods (3977852). 7.05 The Promised
Land (4749968), 7.30 Diabetes - Restoring the Balance (1950784), 7.55 Seville: The Edge of Empire (7378697), 8.20 Pathfinding in the Brain (7136041), 8.45 Images of Education

(8772582). 9.10 Rupert (R) (7673332). 9.15 The Littlest Pet Shop (S) (2278210). 9.35 X-Men (S) (1259535).

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 10.00 Fully Booked. Showjumper Oliver Skeete and Otis the Aardvark are this morning's guests. Plus, the cartoons 8 ump in the Night and Pingu (57413).
 12.00 Regional Programmes (16622).
 12.30 Sunday Grandstand Introduced by Sue Barker from Queer's Club. 12.35 Football: Euro 96 news and archeste.

and analysis. 1.00 Tennis and Athletics: the buildup to this afternoon's singles final in the Stella Artois Grass Court Championship, and the highlights of yesterday's AAA Championships from Birmingham. 1.55 Tennis: live coverage from Queen's Club of the singles final. 3.45 Athletics: today's finals in the AAA Championships Include: 4.10 Men's 800m. 4.20 Women's 1,500m. 4.30 Men's 1,500m. 4.50 Men's 200m. 5.00 Women's 200m, 5.30 Men's 400m hurdles. 5.40 Men's 400m, 5.45 Motor Racing: live coverage of the Canadian Grand Prix from Montreal (SJ (5297516).

8.00 The Ring Within the Rings, Desmond Lynam presents a history of Olympic boxing. See Preview, p28 (8806503). 9.20 Top Gear Take 2. Banger racing (S) (818239). * 9.30 Friday Night Armistice. Repeat of Friday's fun and games with Armando lannucci and satirical

chums (S) (31429). * 10.00 European Fantasy Footbell League. With former Liverpool striker Michael Robinson and Lorraine

Kelly, Shown on Friday (R) (S) (17351).

10.30 Light The Indian Rumner (Sean Penn 1991 US).
Penn's directorial debut, set in 1968 Nebraska, surprised everyone with its sensitivity and maturity. It stars David Morse as a smalltown cop whose uneventful life is disturbed by the return of his brother (an excellent Viggo Mortensen) from the Vietnam War (27117245). *

Weatherview) (S) (4977524). To 1.25am. 2.00 The Learning Zone: Ageing issues and concerns around ageing. (86833). 4.00 Languages (79727), 5.00 Business and Work (1485494). 5.25 Job Bank (8407388). 5.35 Walk the Talk (3571833). To 6.00am.

REGIONS. Wales: 12.00pm Welsh Lobby. N1: 12.00pm Sounds of the Eighties.

ITV/London

6.00 GMTV. 6.00 The Sunday Review. 6.30 News, Sport and Weather. 7.00 The Sunday Programme

 8.00 Disney Adventures. Jenny Powell visits the Isle of Wight (477 1887). 9.25 The Advertures of Grady Greenspace

(1022603). 9.50 James Bond Jr (2271871). 10.15 Sunday Heroes (S) (8341326).

10.25 Sunday, Gloria Hunniford is in Great Yarmouth, Norfolk. At 10.50, Morning Worship from St Mary's Catholic Church (S) (92533264). 12.10 Link (S) (8454581). * 12.30 Crosstatk (Followed by LWT Weather) (48719). 1.00 News & Weather (45878790). *

1.10 The Agenda. The first in a new series of live current-affairs programmes hosted by Andrew Rawnsley (2639429). *

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2.00 Capital Holidays. Tuscany, the villages of the Costa del Sol, and the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede near the Rocky Mountains (7413).

2.30 Euro 96 – Live. Live coverage of Russla v Germany from Old Trafford (275055). *

5.00 Upstairs, Downstairs. A portrait of Lady Marjorie causes uproar when it is unveiled at The Royal

Academy. Anton Rodgers guest stars as a Scottish aristocrat-turned-artist (R) (5500).

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6.00 Local News, Weather (998993). *

6.15 News & Weather (993448). *

6.30 40 Years of ITV Laughter (R) (S) (18993). *

7.30 You've Been Framed! (R) (S) (239). *

8.00 Wycliffe. Jack Shepherd's saturnine Cornish police detective ponders unexplained killings in the Bodmin committy, which locals are blaming on the bode! (S) (R) (20). * on "the beast" (S) (8429). *

9.00 The Knock. An old friend of Bill's is murdered in France while on the trail of a major drugsmuggling gang (S) (1993). *

10.00 The Clive James Show. Guests include Eddie Izzard and Peter O'Toole (S) (835239).

10.45 News & Weather (819S16). *

11.00 Euro 96. Highlights of Croatia v Denmark

12.05 GES Miracle Landing (Oick Lowry 1990 US). Drama based on an incident in 1988 in which the top section of a plane's fuselage came off during a 1.40 The Chart Show (R) (S) (7364123). 2.40 IEEE The Execution (Paul Wendkos 1985 US).

Five Jewish women who were all prisoners at Birkenau concentration camp discover that the camp doctor is now a successful LA restaurateur. Stars Loretta Swit and Rip Tom (489291). 4.20 Cool Vibes (S) (61308794). 4.35 Shift (R) (1588291). To 5.30em.

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6.15 Trans World Sport (R) (8766790).
7.10 Take 5.7.40 The Magic School Bus. 8.05 Sonic the Hedgehog. 8.35 The Trap Door. 8.40 Blast Off. 8.50 The Bird. 9.00 Bifler Mice from Mars. 9.30 Saved by the Bell. 10.00 Dumb and Dumber. 10.15 Sister Sister. 10.40 Rocko's Modern Life. 11.05 Insektors.

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11.20 NBA Raw. The NBA finals (9025332).

12.15 The Waitons (R) (944535). *

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by a group of Greek gods (3839500).

3.10 East Ask Arry Girt (Charles Walters 1959 US).
David Niven again, this time as a Manhattandweller being enlisted by smalltime girl Shirley MacLaine to help her snare his brother's hand in marriage. No guesses as to what happens next— and no great shakes as a musical (54978264). * 5.05 Zig and Zag's Dirty Deeds. The 8ig Breakfast

extras help Elle McPherson track down some stolen photos (S) (3077332). * 5.35 Hollyoules (R) (S) (275993). * 6.05 Bathylon 5 (S) (617332), * 7.00 EMM Gentlernen Preser Blondes (Howard Hawks 1953 US). "Diamonds are a Girl's Best Friend" and all that, with Marilyn Monroe and Jane Russell as Anita Loos's immortal gold-digging

showgirts bound for Gay Paree (80622429), *
8.40 Travelog Treks. Pete McCarthy follows in the footsteps of Ernest Herningway to the Florida Keys 9.00 Cold Lazarus, 4/4. Concluding Dennis Potter's vision of the future. Daniel Feeld's head has been stolen (s) (3040448). (S) (110993). *

10.15 [MEM] Caddyshack (Harold Ramis 1980 US). The gloriously stobbish Rodney Dangarfield has some crass fun on the fairways of an exclusive golf club in Harold Ramis's stapstick comedy. Co-stars Chevy Chase and Cindy Morgan (555332). 12.05 Just for Laughs. Frank Skinner hosts the Montreal festival of cornedy (S) (2178678).

12.45 Days and Nights in the Forest (Satyajit Ray 1969 India). Ray's Bengali take on Jean Renoir's Une Partie de Campagne, with four young men from Calcutta taking their hols (33599524). .50 Cheerleader. Scottish cheerleaders (55.1 7630). 3.00 China Doll. Britain's Chinese community hold a beauty contest (R) (S) (68404982).
3.15 Beach (R) (S) (4667712). To 4.30am.

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As London except: 12.30pm Anglia News and Business News (487/19), 2.00 The Road Show (7413), 5.00
Cartoon (6376697), 5.05 The Yillags Show (3079790),
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Sport (7661036), 3.05am Shift (4028098), 4.15am
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(3389852). Wales: Welsh Agenda (8389852). 2.00
Automobiles (22860023). 2.25 ITV Sport Mini Classics (78962576). 5.00 A Whot of Wonder (2403413).
5.20 Emmediale (7764622). 12.05sm Film: The Great
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As C4 except: 6.15am Transworld Sport (8766790). 7.10 Take Five (4985806), 8.05 The Adventures of Sonic the Hedgehog (683/239), 9.55 Durnb and Durnb-or (9708245), 10.00 Hollywels (271/968), 10.40 Se-ley Satar (8404061), 1.15pm Bataylon 5 (5250055), 2.10 Cutting Edge: Searching for Susan (6247968), 5.00 Zig and Zag's Dirty Deods (2535), 5.30 Pobol Yourn (40904158), 7.25 Dectroa Loanu Dechrau (396806), 7.55 News (599564), 8.00 Pengelli (237351), 8.35 Datganlad (754871), 9.05 Haf O Hyd (539264), 9.20 Saith Ar Y Suf (53413), 9.40 San Steffan (880061), 10.00 Cold Lazanis (3079210), 11,15-12,55am Film: Track 29 (519790).

Radio

Radio 1

7.00am Kevin Greening 10.00 Dave Pearce 2.00 Trevor Nelson's Rhythm Nation 4.00 UK Top 40 7.00 Klickin'. See Choice, 8.00 John Peel 10.00 Andy Kershaw 12.00 Mary Anne Hobbs 4.00-6.30am Clive Warren

Radio 2 7.00am Don Maclean 9.05 Steve Wight's Sunday Love Songs 11.00 Parkinson's Sunday Supplement 1.00 Desmond Carnington 3.00 Benny Green 4.00 Sweet and Love 4.30 Green 4.00 Sweet and LDN 4.30 Sing Something Simple 5.00 Pom Ayres 7.00 Hugh Scully 8.30 Sunday Half Hour 9,00 Alan Kesth 10.00 Fifty Years On 12,05 Steve Madden 3,00-6,00am Alex Lester

Radio 3

(90.2-92.4MOL PM) 7.00am Sacred and Protone. 8.50 Choice of Three. 9.00 Bnan Kay's Sunday Morning. 12.15 Music Matters. 1.00 News; Into the Garden. 1.20 Tree Sunday Concert. BBC Symphony Orchestra/Enrique
Diemicoke. Moncayo. Huapango.
Bernstein: Symphony No 2, VillaLobos: Forest of the Amazon.

3.15 Spirit of the Age. 4.15 Peter Schreier (tenor), Graham Johnson (piano). Beethoven: Ade-Johnson (piano). Beethoven: Ade-laide; Neue Liebe neues Leben, Op 75 No 2: Der Wachtelschlag, WoO 129: Rasignation, WoO 149; An-denken: Zartliche Liebe; An die ferna Geliebte, Schumann:

Dichterliebe. 5.45 The Sunday Feature: Lamark. 15 years after the publication of Alasdair Gray's first novel, Lanark, David Stanhouse assesses its impact on Scottish writing, See Choice. 6.30 Russian Piano Music. 7.30 The Sunday Play: The Nurem-

berg That. Peter Goodchild's dra-matic reconstruction of the most significant trial of the 20th century. With Remard Hepton. 10.10 Choir Works. Aaron Copland: in the beginning, Charles Wuonnen: Genesis. 11.15 Traditional Music. John Purser

examines the ancient cultural and musical connections between Scot land and iceland. 11.45 Record Review 1.00 Through the Night. With Donald

Macleod. 1.01 Jommelli, Demotoonte, A rare chance to hear this firee act opera, recorded during the 1995 Schwetzinger Festival. 4.00 Vienna Sedet. 5.00-6.00am Sequence.

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converging?", asks Nick Hancock just that footballers' hairstyles are did, 15 years ago.

02494 BBIE IM, 198412 LWI 6.00am News Briefing. 6.10 Something Understood. 6.55 Weather. 7.00 News. 7.10 Sunday Papers. 7.15 The Living World. Bees. (5/6). 7.40 Sunday. 8.50 The Week's Good Cause.

9.00 News. 9.10 Sunday Papers. 9.15 Letter from America. 11.45 A History of Britain in Six Menus. (2/6). 12.15 Desert Island Discs. With writer Quentin Crewe.
12.55 Weather.
1.00 The World This Weekend. 2.30 The Summer Serial: On the Eve

by Turgeney, dramatised by Michael Crompton. With Amanda Root and Philip Franks, (1/2). 3.30 Pick of the Week. 4.15 Analysis.
5.00 News; Tales from the Back of Beyond. Solomon Islands. (2/6).
5.30 Poetry Please! 5.50 Snipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather.

6.00 Six O'Clock News. 6.15 Feedback. 6.30 in Business 7.00 Children's BBC Radio 4: The Eagle of the Ninth by Rosemary Sutcliff, With Torn Smith. (3/4). 7.30 A Good Read. 8.00 (FM) The Natural History Pro-

8.00 (LW) Open University: Master-class: Managing a Brand. 8.30 A Better World? 9.00 Transsexuals. 9.20 Taking about the Enlighten-ment. 9.40 Death and Dying. 8.30 (FM) Leviathan. 9.00 (FM) The Cutting Edge.
9.30 (FM) A Many-Faceted Thing.
Memory - The Workings. (2/4). 9.59 (FM) Weather. 10.00 News. 10.15 Medicine Nov.

"Are the worlds of football and pop (left) in Kickin' (7pm R1), or is it improving? Meanwhile, for all those who thought Irvine Walsh invented Scottish writing, Lanark (5.45pm R3) reminds you that Alasdair Gray

11.15 In Committee. 11.45 Seeds of Faith. Christopher Marcin, a Christian, and Jane Wynne-Wilson, a humanist, explore the fundamental beliefs on 12.00 News. 12.20 Bells on Sunday. From St

David's, Moreton-In-Marsh, Gloucestershire. 12.30 The Late Story: Coming Home by Nora Naish. 12.48 Shipping Forecast. 1.00am As World Service.

Radio 5 6.05am Brief Lives 6.30 Brian Hayes at Breakfast 9.05 Sunday with Mair 11.35 Special Assignment 12.05 The Big Byte 12.35 Hold the Front Page 1.05 Euro 96 Sunday Sport 8.05 The U5 Open 12.05 Night 6.00am Morning Reports Classic FM

(10010-101990) Re 6.00em Sarah Lucas 9.00 Classic Romance 12.00 Celebrity Choice 1.00 Alan Mann 3.00 Mastercla 4.00 Classic Discoveries 7.00 Classic Countdown Top 10 8.00 Evening Concert. Smetana: Overture: The Bartered Bride. Brahms: Variations on a Theme by Haydn. Shostakovich: Symphony No 9 in E flat. Rossini: Overture: William Tell, Bartok: Concerto for Orchestra. 10.00 Howard's ek 12.00 Andre Leon 4.00-6.00am Mark Griffiths

Virgin Radio (1215, 1197-1250世 時 105,862 円) 6.00am Janey Lee Grace 10.00 Gra ham Dene 2.00 Nicky Home 6.00 Mitch Johnson 10.00 Gary Davies 2.00-6.00am Robin Banks **World Service**

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Satellite

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der (81535). 12,00 50 Minutes (54098). 1.00 The Sunday Comics (80098). 2.00-6.00am Hit Mix Long Play (8277974). SAY MOYES 6.00am Captain Blood (1935) (56142), 8.00 Against the Wind (1948) (49061), 10.00 Mrs ire (1993) (97055). 12.00 Shock Treatment (1981) (66784). 2.00 Father Hood (1993) (25952). 4.00 Getting Even with Oad (1994) (3852). 6.00 Mrs Doubtfire (1993) (18516), 8.00 Dad, the Angel and Me (1995) (13061). 10.00 Rumaway Daugh-ters (1994) (9237210). 11.25 The Movie Show (256158). 11,55 Fathers and Sons (1992)

(677968). 1.35 The New Age (1994) (207678). 3.25-6.00æ Windows (1980) (54623369). MOVIE CHANNEL 6.05am Crack Up (1946) (70680516), 8.00 Perils of Prob lemina (1985) (47603). 10.00 They Knew What They Wanted (1940) (95697). 12.00 Mac-Given: The Last Treasure of Atlantis (1994) (64326). 2.00 Final Days of Butch and Sundance (1993) (73887). 3.30 El Feature (5993), 4.00 The Devit's Bed (1994) (7522), 6.00 Midnight Run: Another Midnight Run (1994) (16158), 8.00 The Shad-ow (1994) (11603), 10.00 Clear and Present Danger (1994) (54198535), 12.25 Subspecies (1991) (2457920), 1.55 Masseuse (1995) (340982).

(1993) (692307). 12.00pm Daddy Long Legs (1955) (25366055), 2.10 Pun for Orver (1955) (537564), 3.50 A Part to Arms (1957) (21127871), 6.25

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3.30-6.00am The Only Way Out

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IK COLD 7.00am Give Us a Clue (5216326). 7.30 Going for Gold (1402142). 7.55 The Pink Pari-ther (3440603). 8.05 Angels (3223239). 9.00 When the Boat Cornes in (4148326). 10.00 Blatter's Court (95875887). Blake's Seven (86876887). 11.05 Or Who (58979090) 1.00 The Cassandra Crossing (1977) (2281239), 3.00 The Bill (9247871), 6.00 The Good Old Days (1079535), 7.00 Morecambe and Wise (9749852). 8.00 The Duchess of Duke Stree (17262993). 9.05 I, Claudius (53907622). 10.10 First Born (99610351), 11.15 The Bob Monkhouse Show (4458535), 12.15 The Six Wives of Henry VIII (6859524), 1.55-7.00am Shop-

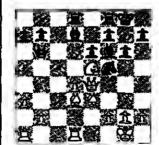
STEGRE DE 7.00am Le Mars Update (346622). 9.30 Surfing (75603). 10.30 Superbikes (80351). 12.00 Le Mars Finish (30036993). 2.15 World Super-biles Championship (5085413). 3.30 Golf (83535). 5,30 Golf USA: U5 Open (1422448). 11.30 Superbles (61535), 1,00-3,00am Super League (93098). SET SPURIS 2

7.00am Sports Extra (2416516), 10.55 Women's Cricket (95697887), 6.00 Super League (4429852), 8.30-1.00am World League of Ameri-can Football (1733326). 6.00am Video Box 6.30 Home

Shopping 7.00 Video Box 7.30 Fate & Fortune 8.00 425 9.00 Mind & Body 9.30 Weigh to Go 10.00 Fastion Show 10,30 Spanish Archer 11,00 Video Box 11.30 Nation Weind 12.00 Fate & Fortune 12.30 Wity Files 1.00 425 2.00 Sport 3.00 Cartary What 4.30 Fashion Show 5.00 Weigh to Go 5.30 Fashion Show 6.00 Video Box 6.30 Spanish Archer 7.00 425 8.00 Nation Weld 9.00 Linchbox Volley Ball 9.30 Why Files 10.00 Topless Darts 10.30 Fashion Show 11.00 Topless Darts 11.30 Stand Up 12.00 Lunchbox Volley Ball 12.30 Kiss TV 1.30 Home Shapping 2.00 425 3.00 The Sex Show 3.30 Stand Up 4.00 Fate & For-tine 4.30 Why Files 5.00 Video Box 5.30-6.00am Fashion Show

Pastimes

Chess William Hartston



Gata Kamsky was thrown completely nff balance in the fourth game of his Fide world title match against Anatoly Karpov.

The diagram position was reached after Karpov's 18th move as Black. It is just the same type of isolated dpawn formation for White that brought Kamsky victory in the second game. He now played 19.No4 with an attack nn the black queen. The natural reply is 19...Qc6, offering the exchange of queens, but after 20.Qf41

◆AKQ3 ♥7532 **VAOJ +**Q6 East ♥KQ10986 ♥4 OK 108 **4742** South

If, as East, you were told in you would probably find it. As certain entry before the to West.

Black is uncomfortable

against a quick build-up of Q-side pressure with Rac1, Be4 and perhaps even Na5. 19...Qc7 seems next most likely, to meet 20.Bf4 with 20...Qc6 when the white queen can no innger go to f4. The trouble is that 21.Be5! preserves a clear

advantage for White. Karpov played 19...Qa6! It looks decidedly odd putting the queen nn the diagonal of White's bishop, but the knight has nn good discovery. Kamsky's 20.a4 was a poor move (perhaps

hoping for time to play a5 and Nb6), and after 20...Bc6 21.Qf4 Bd5 Black bad a fine position. The "aggressive" 22.g4 is strongly met by ...g5! Kamsky played 22.Ne5 Qb6 and now 23.Bxf5? was another error, losing all control of the white squares. Karpov played 23 ...exf5 and won at move 45.

Perplexity

Last time, we asked, in celebratinn of last Sunday's 9.6.96 date, how many dates there are in a century which, with the dnts removed, are the same upside down. Now take a look at tnmor-

row's date. It's the 16th of June, 16.6.96, which works perfectly as a multiplication sum: $16 \times 6 = 96$. So no prizes for guessing this week's question. How many such dates are there in

a century? A Larousse Desk Reference Encyclopedia awaits a correct answer. Answers. by 26 June, to: Saturday Pastimes, the Independent, 1 Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London E14 5DL.

1 June answers: Saturday Pastimes (masses data purity); The Independent (Pet Hen Intended); Canary Wharf (far ranch way). Winner: Pete Bendal (Exmouth).

Bridge Alan Hiron

N-S game; dealer West

North

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advance that there was a defence to Three No-trumps, - attacking South's only three tricks must be conceded

it was, after two good plays, East fell at the third fence. West opened 3 ♥ and, with double. East passed and, with

West led ♥K and declarer would have been an acute ♣KJ 1093 danger of a club switch if he 10 tricks. had held off. He followed by finessing & J. It is nften good tactics to hold up in this position, but East could place every high card at this stage blocked. He won immediate-

an equally awkward call,

South bid 3NT.

diamonds could be unblocked. Declarer allowed +K in

win but East continued the a difficult bid, North chose to suit to dummy's queen. After cashing the top diamonds, declarer followed with four rounds of spades. On lead, with only clubs left, East had won immediately - there to concede an entry to the South hand and that was

What was the final poin(that East had missed? When the top spades are cashed, he must unblock with his eight, 10 and jack! Dummy's three and could see that the suit was becomes an unexpected trick but now, with nothing but

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The big picture The Krays Sat 10.30pm C4

In the heyday of Spandau Ballet - when they looked like poncho-wearing clothes horses -- we had no inkling that Gary and Martin Kemp had hidden talents as serious actors. But The Krays reveals them to be highly convincing performers, bringing the right degree of charismatic menace to the roles of Ronnie and Reggie, the extravagantly-farmous East End gangsters. In Peter Medals's thought-ful biopic, the Kemps pull off the feat of being simultaneously nice to their mum (Billie Whitelaw, in characteristically compelling form), and nasty to everyone else.

Television preview RECOMMENDED VIEWING THIS WEEKEND by Gerard Gilbert

K, then. What does this remind you of? An ageing bachelor Prince of Wales is pressurised into marrying a young bride he hardly knows - even

This particular failed royal marriage happened 200

years ago, when George, later George IV, agreed to take Caroline of Brunswick as his lawful wedded wife

Catholic-born Maria Fitzherbert). It's all dramatised

in A Royal Scandal (Sun BBC1); with Richard E Grant as George, the unfamilar but lively-faced Susan

Lynch as Caroline, and the rather more familiar

a breezy script and a suitably manic performance from

Grant - George as a sort of Hanoverian Withmail.

fought mainly through the newspapers.



Theodora Sat 6.35pm C4 Dancing in the Street Sat 9pm BBC2 Screen Two: Century Sat 10pm BBC2 The Ring within the Rings Sun 8pm BBC2 A Royal Scandal Sun 9.20pm BBC1

U marrying a young bride he hardly knows — over though he is passionately devoted to his mistress. The marriage quickly fails, and the Princess finds herself isolated. Emboldened by the fact that she is mother of the heir to the throne, she starts to fight back, and of the heir to the throne, she starts to fight back, and is not overly-interested in character. Characters are expression meaning "ser", hijacked for the emerging what carry the plot along, and the plot is what carries musical style by white DJ Alan Freed), but he was only what carry the plot along, and the plot is what carries Poliakoff's ideas along. Fortunately, Poliakoff the director enjoys himself recreating the sights and sounds of High Victorian England.

Owen plays the son of Jewish immigrants in turn-(he stready had an unlawfully wedded wife in of the century London who becomes the prize pupil of pioneering doctor Dance. It's only later that we realise what Dance has been up to among poor squatter women. Eugenics plus anti-semitism plus a brave new century - it'll all end in a concentration camp.

Michael Kitchen, Frances Barber and Denis Lawson is the unspoken message.
in support. Surprisingly, this all goes beyond just a Dancing in the Street (Sat BBC2) is a very fine new. in support. Surprisingly, this all goes beyond just a few spooky parallels with Charles and Di, thanks to history of rock music. We seem to be living through

These broadly exched buffoons are more vivid than Anthology. The story begins, as the song says, way the characters in Stephen Poliakoff's losh but chilly down in Mississippl, in New Orleans, where late night screen Two Century (Sat BBC2) – despite the presence of such formidable actors as Charles Dance, white kids – and making way for the first crossover stars. Clive Owen Robert Stephens and Minarda Birkens. radio stations were bringing the "aigger music" to the white kids and making way for the first crossover stars

- Little Richard and Chuck Berry. Pat Boone was the holding the door open for Elvis Presley.

It seems that the more the BBC loses its major sporting events, the more it plags those that it still has. The Ring within the Rings (Sun BBC2) is a history of Olympic boxing, and not a particularly inspired production by BBC Sport. Fortunately, a lot of great names have boxed for their country - including Cassius Clay, Joe Frazier and George Foreman.

Theodora (Sat C4) is a live performance of Peter Sellars's stunning new production of Handel's oratorio a tragedy set among the Romans and Christians of fourth-century Antioch, played with 18thcentury instruments, and given a stark, modernist seta golden age of rockumentaries, what with this and century instruments, and given a stark, modernist set-the recent The Biz, Rock Family Trees and the Beatles ting. This historical stew creates a surprising clarity.



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The big match Euro 96: England v Scotland Sat 3pm BBC1

For all sorts of historical reasons, England versus Scotland, led by the elegant Gary McAllister (above), was always going to be the biggest game of the opening round for home fans. (To fuel the fire, C4 ran a comedy programme entitled England v Scotland last night). Now that both teams have drawn their first games, the stakes have become even higher. England may have home advantage, but history. indicates that there will be very little to choose between the teams. Since 1872, England have 43 wins compared with Scottand's 40.

Saturday television and radio

BBC1

7.25 News, Weather (5359009). 7.30 Children's 88C: Oscar's Orchestra. 7.55 Robinson Sucroe, 8.15 The Raccoons, 8.45 Marvel Action

Hour. 9.45 Grange Hill. 10.10 Sweet Valley High. 10.35 Trooping the Colour. Live coverage from Horse Guards Parade in London, where Her Majesty the Queen takes the salute as the 1st Battalion Irish Guards troop do their stuff. Julian Tutt is our man on the spot (S) (77098641).

12.17 Weather (7238405). 12.20 Grandstand Introduced by Desmond Lynam from Wembley. 12,25 Football: the latest news from the Scotland and England camps, 12.40 Cricket Focus, 1.00 News, 1.05 Athletics: coverage of day two of the AAA Championships from the Alexander Stadium, Birmingham, the official trials for the British Olympic team. 2.00 Football: build-up to the England v Scotland game. 3.00 Football: Euro 96. Live coverage of England v Scotland, See The 8ig Match. 5,10 Athletics: further coverage from Birmingham, including 5.20 Women's 100m final. 5.30 Men's 100m final. 5.40 Men's 110m hurdles final (S) (91087863).

5.50 News, Weather (389757). * 6.00 Regional News and Weather (533641). 6.05 Dad's Army (R) (652115). *

6.35 Full Swing. Fairly desperate game show – a sort of golf version of Big Break, with Jimmy Tarbuck asking the questions (S) (822047).

7.05 The New Adventures of Superman, Lois is treated for amnesia (S) (317776). 7.50 The National Lottery Live. Riverdance star Michael Flatley high-kicks his way across to the starter button (S) (918863).

8.05 Bugs. Ros is infected by a deadly computer virus which will be triggered only if she becomes aware that she has it. Last in the series

8.55 News and Sport, Weather (Followed by National Lottery Update) (774776). *

9.15 Ladykiller (Michael Scott 1992 US), Miml Rogers, who surely has no need of such a service, joins a dating agency, and meets mysterious John Shea. But when the bodies of two murdered women are discovered, she discovers her new lover is the prime suspect. A pretty routine thriller, with a gloss of fashionable steaminess (S) (279689). 10.45 Euro 96. Highlights of England v Scotland, and

France v Spain (S) (2473592). * 12.00 Golf - US Open 1996 Highlights of (S) (47264).

12.30 Suddenly (Lewis Allen 1954 US). Withdrawn from circulation for years after it was discovered that Lee Harvey Oswald watched it just Frank Sinatra is excellent as the former World War Il marksman who takes a Mid-West family hostage. His target is the U5 president, whose train is due to pass through the town (8262245).

1.45 Weather (1772871). To 1.50am.

BBC2

6.00 Open University: Engineering Mechanics (6529931). 6.25 Maths: Networks and Matrices How to combine matrices, (6515738), 6.50 Managing in Organisations (3002592), 7.15
Dialogue in the Dark (4869776), 7.40 OU All
Hours (1052196), 8.05 The Victorian High
Church (6954134), 8.30 TV – Images, Messages
and Ideologies (5069738), 9.20 Pyramids, Plato and Football (1069134), 9.45 Teletal (1288047). 10.10 Powers of the President (5994950), 11.00 The Right Course for You? (9195202), 11.25 Clayoquot Sound – the Final Cut? (4407912). 11.50 Healthy Futures: Whose Views Count? (2313009).

12.15 Watch Out. Little terns, and how the clothes you wear can attract Insects (S) (1697221). 12.25 (Edwin L Marin 1950 US). A gun

salesman promoting the new rapid-fire Colt 45 has his pistols stolen by an outlaw who embarks on a trail of bank robbery and murder. Starring Randolph Scott, Zachary Scott, Lloyd Bridges and Alan Hale (8302912). * 1.35 International Tennis, From the Queen's Club, London, Sue Barler introduces live coverage of this

afternoon's semi-finals. With commentary from John Barrett, Mark Cox, David Mercer and Bill Threffall (S) (53166757).

5.55 Canadian Grand Prix. Live coverage of the qualifying session for tomorrow's Canadian Grand Prix from Montreal (S) (3655641). 7.05 Trooping the Colour. Highlights of this morning's pump and circumstance down in Horse Guards

Parade, London (S) (1061283). 8,20 Aliya the Asian Elephant. A story set in Sri Lanka about a lost baby elephant and the little boy who helps him (S) (757641).

9.00 Dancing in the Street: A Rock and Roll History.

See Preview, above (S) (5221).

10.00 Screen Two: Century, Stephen Poliakoff drama set in 1899 and starring Charles Dance,

Clive Owen, Miranda Richardson, Robert Staphens, Joan Hickson, Lena Headey. See Preview, above (S) (692863), * 11.50 Later with Jools Holland. With ZZ Top, Bo

Oiddley, the Bluetones, and London's Stereolab. Last in the series (S) (809405). 12.55 Tristana (Luis Burivel 1970 Sp/lt/Fr). Marvellously bitter satire on Franco's Spain and a neat little morality tale to boot (but, obviously, not yer bourgeois morality). Fernando Rey is at his best as the Toledo aristocrat who rapes his young ward (Catherine Deneuve) only to become tormented by

2.35 Young Musicians 96: Encore A series of recitals by past finalists in the BBC Young Musicians contest to celebrate 10 years of the competition. This week, horn player David Pyatt plays Marais and Cherubini (S) (2322852). To 2.50am.

her when she agrees to marry him. Franco Nero

ITV/London

6.00 GMTV 6.00 News, Weather. 6.10 Re:Win.d. 6.30 Bananas in Pyjamas. 6.40 Eat Your Words. 7.10 Barney and Friends. 7.40 Disney's Wake Up in the Wild Roo. 8.55 Mighty Morphin Power Rangers.

9.25 Scratchy & Co. Guests are magician Paul Zenon and Paul Leyshon, Oilie from Hollyoaks. Denise van Outen, meanwhile, meets Gabrielle and 4 Mandu, and Malcolm finds out the world's worst

Mandu, and Malcorn finds out the world's worst chat-up lines (S) (81900028).

11.30 The Chart Show (S) (91554).

12.30 The Basement. Neighbours' Dan Falzon joins Sonya Saut and her audience to discuss one-night stands. Music from Northern Uproar (S) (78573).

1.00 News & Weather (77546496). *

1.05 Local News, Weather (78996937). *

1.10 Euro 96 Special. Jim Rosenthal and guests orsider index for more (2662757). *

preview today's games (2662757). *

2.00 Movies, Games and Videos (8467).

2.30 INSI Beaches (Garry Marshall 1988 US). Maudlin girls'-own story about life-long friends Bette Midler (brash, New York showbizzy type) and Barbara Horsboy (present San Especies Was). Marshay Hershey (repressed San Francisco Wasp). Hershey develops cancer and Midler stands by her friend, thus transcending her self-obsession and becoming a wonderful human being. See it and

weep (S) (22912). * 4.30 RoboCop (S) (7890592). 5.25 News & Weather (6475912). * 5.35 London Tonight (473134). *

5.45 Euro 96 - Live. France v Spain from Elland Road. Plus, highlights of England v Scotland (98299738).

8.45 News & Weather (749080). * 9.00 An Audience with Bob Monkhouse. Stephen Fry, Eddle Large and Sld Little, Ruth Madoc, Sir John Mills, Denis Norden, Pauline Quirke and Mandy

Mills, Denis Norden, Pauline Quirke and Mandy
Smith all have something they want to ask "Uncle
Bob" – like "where's the exit?" or "who's for the
bar?" (R) (S) (9047)...*,

10.00 Saturday Live. Struggling in the ratings (three and
a half million viewers, which is chicken feed for
prime-time Saturday night, is the latest count), Lee
Hurst hosts a another hour of stand-up. Regulars
Harry Hill and Alen Portor "I then Westerd and Hasry Hill and Alan Parker "Urban Warnor" are joined by Neil Mullarkey and Tony Hawks. With music from Everything But the Gid and Strijka – "Norway's third most-popular band" (S) (2134).

11.00 IIII The Fly I) (Chris Walas 1989 U5). Eric Stottz

stars as the son of the Jeff Goldblum character in this sequel which should have been swatted at birth. Stottz has inherited his dad's deformed genes and puberty turns out to be a more troubling experience than it is for most. Trash (S) (577115).

land v Scotland Wembley, re-run in its entirety (4047852). * 3.15 El News Review (4817910). 4.05 Cool Vibes (S) (45055413). 4.10 God's Gift (R) (7194531). 5.05 Coach (S) (1584719). 70 5.30am.

Satellite

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Channel 4

6.05 Sesame Street. 7.00 Little Dracula 7.35 World League Football (R) (S) (1080979). 8.00 Gaetic Games. All-Ireland Champions Dublin meet Westmeeth in the Leinster Gaelic football championship, followed by Ulster title holders

Tyrone against Fermanagh (88221).

9.00 The Morning Line. Today's hot tips on the racing scene (S) (80592).

10.00 High Five. Skateboarding. The US Powell team

(I've no idea, ask a teenager) take on the top stunt skateboarders of Europe (41028). 10.30 NBA 24/7. Another chance to see last Thursday's

programme (R) (57592). 11.00 Trans World Sport (87318). 12.00 Calcutta Chronicles. During the Hindu festival of Durga Puja, mud statues of the goddess are returned to the Ganges and the celebrations bring the city to a helt for a week. Tim Piggott-Smith has further details (S) (48844). *

12.30 The Great Maratha. Our man defeats the British and gets to meet the Moghal Emperor (76115).

1.00 Australia Wild. Antipodean wildlife (81134). * 1.30 Channel 4 Racing from York. Featuring the 1.45 Michael Sobell Silver Tankard Handicap; the 2.15
Daniel Prent Royal Yorkshire Stakes; and the 2.45
William Hill Trophy Handicap (S) (90878931).
3.10 A Letter to Three Wives (Joseph L
Mankiewicz 1949 US). Excellent satirical comedy

on suburban marriage, with the town seductress sending a letter to three women - Jeanne Crain, Linda Damell and Ann Sothern - Informing them that she has run off with one of their husbands, but neglecting to say which one. Cue introspection as each reviews her marriage. A refreshingly tart screenplay with first-rate support from Krk Douglas, Paul Douglas and Jeffrey Lynn as the hubbles in question (54901592).

5.05 Brookside Omnibus, Lindsey, Gary, Mick and Danny have the major storylines (S) (9834318). * 6.35 Four Goes to Glyndebourne: Theodora. Peter Sellars's bold new production of Handel, Dawn Upshaw appears in the role of Theodora, the honourable maiden who chooses death rather than

give up her Christian faith, and the young American counter-tenor-David Daniels, in his British debut, plays her lover (S) (87545080).

10.30 The Krays (Peter Medak 1990 UK). The Kemp brothers take on the Kray twins. See The Big

Picture, above (42528080). 12.45 Hornicide – Life on the Street. When the Narcotics Oivision makes the biggest drugs bust in Baltimora history, the local dealers start turning on one another (R) (S) (4915784). * 1.40 THE The Night Holds Terror (Andrew Stone 1955

US). Run-of-the-mill hard-boiled thriller stamn Vince Edwards as the leader of a trio of hoods who hold Jack Kelly and his family captive and then kidnap him for ransom. With Hildy Parks, John Cassavetes and David Cross (665719).

ITV/Regions

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As London except: 12.30pm Movies, Games and
Videos (78573), 1.05 Anglia News (78596937), 2.00
Bugs Blurmy's American Hero (8467), 5.35 Anglia
News and Sport (473134), 12.55am Euro 96 - High-lights (34685871), 3.15am Films Miracle Landing
(297448), 5.00-5.30am Summer of Salling (42852).

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As London except: 12.30pm Mones, Games and Videos (78573). 1.05 Regional News (78996937). 2.00 Cartoon (73798979). 2.10 Film: The Moon-Spinners (37867738). 4.30 Airwolt (7890592). 5.35 Regional News (473134). 5.40 Yorks: Scoreline (394689). 3.15am The World the Worlds (4817910). 4.05am Coach (10952061). 4.30am Coach (10952061) Sic (1692448), 5.25-5.30am Music Video (3599239).

CBITRIL As London except: 12.30pm Movies, Games and Videos (78573). 1.05 Central News (78996937). 2.00 World Cup Bloopers (8467). 2.30 Royal Gala Concert (20979). 3.30 Film: Carry on Spring (9586028). 4.55 Body Heat (4716560). 5.35 Central News (473134). 4.05am Jobfinder (3414413). 5.20-5.30am Asian Eye (8428871).

HIV As London except: 12.30pm The Adventures of Grady Greenspace (49/6047). 12.55 Cartoon Time (1/05/11/5). 1.05 Regional News (78996937). 2.00 House (10/12486). 2.35 Movies, Games and Videos (9478399). 3.00 Film: Journey to the Center of the Earth (3376/1009). 5.35 Regional News (473/34), 5.40 Wates: Let's Go (394689). 12.55am Euro 96 — Highlights (34685871). 3.15am Film: Miracle Landing (297448). 5.00-5.30am Summer of Salling (42852).

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(78573). 1.05 Meddan News (78996937). 2.00 The ,
Reed Show (8467). 2.30 High way to Hessen (7396849.
3.25 Carbon (4636196). 3.35 Ainwolf (5606399). 5.35
Meddian News (473134). 12.55 am Euro 96 – Highlights (34685871). 3.15 am Film: Miracle Landing.
(297448). 5.00-5.30 am Freestreen (42852).

Westcounter As London except: 1.2.30pm Movies, Games and Videos (76573), 1.05 Westcountry News (78996937). 2.00 World Cup Bloopers (8467). 2.30 The Munsters Today (9479028). 2.55 seeQuest DSV (4562592). 3.50 Physiol (5600844), 4.50 The Making of Broken Arrow (6428115). 5.35 Westcountry News (473134). 1.2.55am Euro 96 - Highlights (34685871). 3.15am Film: Miracle Landing (297448), 5.00-5.30am Summer of Sailing (42852).

As C4 except: 8.00am Gaelic Football (88221), 10.00 High Five (41028), 10.30 Cynhadleidd Y (41893), 12.30 Boy Meets World (76115), 1.00 NBa 24/7 (81134). nnei 4 Rac om York (9067893*1).* 5.D Brookside (3344824), 6,30 Hollycaks (950), 7,00 Newyddion Nos (238979), 7,15 Cefn Gwlad: Twll y Gwyddll (536931), 7.45 Meryl a Glenda (535202), 8.15 Dilyn Ddoe: Y Mynachod a Aeth ir Sinema (890641), 8.45 Cantorion leueinc (1890252), 9.55-1.50am 4 Goes to Glyndebourne: Theodora (38889641)

Radio

Radio 1

(97.6-99.8MHz FM) 7.00am Kevin Greening 10.00 Dave Pearce 12.30 Danny Baker 2.30 Jo Whiley 5.00 John Peel 7.00 Lovegroove Dance Party with Danny Rampling 9.00 Music Live on Tour. M People Live at Atton Towers 12.00 The Radio 1 Reggae Dancehall Nite 2.00 Essential Mbc Erick Morillo 4.00-7.00am Charlie

Radio 2

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6.00am Mo Dutta 8.05 Brian
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Saturday Show 1.00 A Swift
Laugh 1.30 The Jasper Carrott Trial 2.00 Judi Spiers 4.00 Nick Barraclough 5.00 Happy Birthday, Barry - From Gary. See Choice. 6.00 Sade in Concert 7.00 Voices 7.30 Art is Calling to Me 8.00 An Evening with Jose Carreas 10.30 Sheridan Morley 12.05 Charles Nove 4.00-7.00am Mo Dutta

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10.15 Record Release. Dvorak;
Miniatures, Op 75a. Beethoven:
Cello Sonata in D. Op 102 No. 2. Haydn: String Quartet In G, Op 33 No 5.

11.15 Reissues. 12.00 Private Passions. Michael Berkeley talks to the composer and conductor Oliver Knussen,
1.00 News; Behind the Masque.
Roderick Swanston talks to the
leading early music performer
Apper Bulenta (AS)

Anner Bylsma. (3/6).
3.00 The Finishing Touch. Andrew Watkinson, leader of the Endellion Quartet, often sovice to the ro Quartet from the Roy Academy of Music on performing Beethoven's String Quartet In A, Op 18 No 5. (4/5).

3.45 Young Composer Workshop. BBC Philharmonic/Martyn Brabwork of four young composers involved in the Young Musician of the Year composers' work-shop, David Hackston: Cello Concerto. Andrew Hamilton: ...with inviolable voice. Thomas Walton: Blitzkrieg. Cheryl Frances-Hoad: Concertino for to, pleno and percussion. 4.45 A Shropshire Lad. George Butterworth's orchestral rhapsody, BBC Symphony Orches-

ra/Mark Elder

.00 Jazz Record Requests. 5.45 Music Matters.

Choice

6.30 The Return of Ulysses. The second of Monteverdi's three surviving operas. Cast includes Sara Fulgoni Imezzo), Christoph Pregardien (teror), Chorus of the Grand Theatre Geneva, Su-isse Romande Orchestra/Michel Cochtz.

8.55 Signs of the Times. Mark Lawson and guests debate the social, ethical and cultural hin-terland behind the headlines.

10.15 Jazz at the Bath Festival.
Including highlights from a rare
solo recital by German pianist
Joachim Kuhn. (1/3).
1.00 Through the Night.
1.01 Schubert. Thomas Zehetmair
(violin), Heinrich Schiff (cello),
Till Schiper (ciano).

RSO/Serge Baudo. Mendelssohn: Overture: Caim Sea and a Prosperous Voyage.

5.00 Sequence. 5.55-7.00am Open University.

Radio 4 62.494.6Mk FN; 19382 00 6.00am News Briefing. 6.10 Familing Today.
6.50 Prayer for the Day.
6.55 Weather.
7.00 Today.
8.58 Ministers

ster. 11.30 Europhile.

taste, tonight's Kaleidoscope Feature (7.20pm R4) is an interview with architect Daniel Libeskind, designer of the V&A's proposed discarded-cardboardboxes extension; and Happy Birthday Barry — from Gary (5pm R2) is a 50th anniversary tribute to B Manilow (left) from G Wilmot.

9.40 Bartok, Sonata for solo violin. Gyongy Pauk (violin). 10.15 Jazz at the Bath Festival.

(violin), Heinrich Schiff (cello), Till Feltner (piano). 2.30 Flute and Orchestra, Patrick Gallots (flute), Saarbrucken

inecke: Flute Concerto in D. Debussy: Syrinx. Beethoven: Symphony No 7 in A. 4.00 Malcolm Bilson (forteplano).

Charlotte Erickson: A Historian of Emigration. 6.15 Literature: Englands of the Mind. 6.35 Hopkins' Religious Poetry.

9.00 News.
9.05 Sport on 4.
9.30 Breskaway.
10.00 News; Double Vision.
10.30 People Like Us.
11.00 News; Week in Wastmin-

Pushing at the frontiers of modern

12.25 i'm Sony i Haven't a Clue. 12.55 Weather 1.00 No

1.10 Any Questions? Jonathan Oknibleby's guests in Ceredigion are the Rt Hon Lord Howe of Aberavon; Glenys Kinnock MEP; Patrick Minford, a Professor at Liverpool University and Cardiff Business School; and Dafydd Wigley MP, Leader of Plaid Cymru Parliamentary Party. 1.55 Shipping Forecast.

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2.00 News; Any Answers?
2.30 Sanuday Playhouse: A Small Country. Sian James's drama takes place in July 1914, when form comes home for the summer vacation to find his tather has left their Carmarthershire m to live with the local schoolmistress. With Jack James and Dewi Rhys. 4.00 News; Leviathan. 4.30 Science Now. 5.00 File on 4.

5.40 Unbroken Volces. Children talk frankly about their parents. (1/6). 5.50 Shipping Forecast. 5.55 Weather. 6.00 Stx O'Clock News. 6.25 Week Ending. 6.50 Ad Lib.

7.20 Kaleidoscope Feature. Paul Finch talks to the Polish-born architect Daniel Libeskinti, who has won commissions to create national millernium icons for two cities, including his contro-versial spiral for the Boilerhouse annexe of the Victoria and Albert Museum. See Choice.
7.50 Saturday Night Theatre: Antigue Penny Puce. A dramatisation of the comic novel by

Robert Graves in which a struggle develops between a brother and sister over the ownership of a stemp collection. With Aden Gillett and Trevyn McDowell. 9.20 Music in Mind. 9.50 Yen to Ten. 9.59 Weather. 10.00 News. 10.15 Stanza,

10.45 Colour Radio. 11.00 Striking Chords, Sareh Ward Invites her guests classica composer and planist Richard Rodney Bennett, Radiohead guitarist Jon Greenwood and folk diva June Tabor to discuss

(370). 11.30 First Men in the Moon. By HG Wells. With Donald Sinden, James Bolam, Tom Georgeson and Gary Olson. 12.00 News. 12.30 The Late Story: The Rebel

by Madelaine Wickham. 12.48 Shipping Forecast. 1.00am As World Service.

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12:00 Sharwoods' Travets (1994) (76738). 2:00 Best Shot (1985) (68134). 4:00 Cermp Nowhera (1994) (7134). 6:00 Family Re-union: A Relative Nightmare (1995) (48370). 8:00 Trial by Jury (1994) (50115). 10:00 The Pelican Brief (1993) (84330689). 12:20 Strike a Pose (1993) (2563535). 1:50 Varishing Son IV (1994) (4480871). ishing Son IV (1994) (4480871). 3.20-5.00am Twice-Told Tales (1963) (58342622).

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Crusoe (1972) (90080). 8.00 The Wolves of Willoughty Chase (1988) (84757). 10.00 Where the Red Fern Grows – Part 2 (1991) (38879). 12.00 Rigoletin (1993) (67080). 2.00 The Face on the Milk Carton (1995) (66776). 4.00 Beanstalk (1994) (91781738). 5.45 The Llving Daylights (1987) (44423979). 8.00 Demolition Man (1993) (58757). 10.00 Shown Away (1994) (73195). 12.00 To Protect and Serve (1992) (456177). 1.35 The Serve (1992) if the Beisfans (1994) (7483968). the Belgians (1994) (4483968). 3.00 Rodd and Pete (1988) (395429). 4.45-6.00am Beanstalk (1994) (4633626).

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7.00em World Wide Rugby: New Zesland v Scotland (76028), 8,30 Racing News (65660), 9,00 World Wrestling Federation (46196), 10,00 Viesuring reservator (45/19). 10.00 Vivid Super League (80/467). 12.00 World League of American Footbell (83554). 1.00 Sports Saturday (3431/405). 5.30 Goff USA: US Open (1/457/76). 11.30 Saturday Ringside (53757/). 1.00-3.00em US Olympic Titels Track and Field (23852). and Field (23852) SEE SPORTS 2

7.00am Soccer AM (2449844). 11.00 Australian Rules Footbell (8459757). 1.00 The Asian Golf Show (3667825). 2.00 Seturday Ringside (9814660). 3.30 Golf: Slaley international (2519931). 5.30 Cycling Magazine (2381080). 6.00 US Olympic Triats – Track and Field (8802912). 8.00 La Mans Updata (8803641). 9.00 World Wide Rugby. New Zealand v Scotland (4627009). 10.30 Australian Rules Football (6035196). 12.30-1.00am Skill Sall-ing (9441018). LNETY

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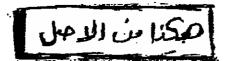
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Callow, actor, 47; Miss Mary Ellis,

singer and actress, 96; Mr Ken Fletcher, tennis player, 56; Sir John Fretwell, former Ambassador to

France, 66; Air Chief Marshal





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Births. **Marriages** & Deaths

SALE: On Saturday 8 June to Jennie and Colin a daughter, Isobel Con-sunce, a sister for Edward.

France, 66; Air Chief Marshal Sir Joseph Gilbert, 65; The Most Rev Trevor Huddleston, human rights campaigner, 83; Mr John Humphries, senior partner, Travers Smith Braithwaite, 71; Mr Henry McLeish MP, 48; Admiral Sir Charles Madden, former Commander-in-Chief, Home Fleet, 90; Mr John Mor-rison, former President Melifeen DEATHS
CHARLESBY: On 13 June 1996 peacefully in hospital after a short illness,
Arthur Charlesby DSc PhD, Doctor
Honoria Caissa, Father of Radiation
Chemistry and Emeritus Professor of
Physics, Royal Military College of Science, Shrivenham, the beloved husband of Irene, brother of Sarah and
much loved uncle to many nieces
and nephews. The committal is on
Wednesday 19 June 1996 at 3pm
Kragsdown (Swindon) Crematorium, Family flowers only, however, if
desired, donations for Cancer Research may be sent to Baker & Sons,
Funeral Directors, Cardinal House,
Brewery Street, Highworth, Witshire, Inlephone 01367 240572. Chief, Home Fleet, 90, Mr John Morrison, former President, Wolfson College, Cambridge, 83; Lord Murray QC, a former Senator of the College of Justice in Scotland, 74; Mr David Newsome, former Master of Wellington College, 67; Miss Nicola Pagett, actress, 51; Mr John Redwood MP, 45; Miss Margaret Rudland, Headmistress, Godolphin and Latymer School, 51; Mr Sukindev Sharma, Chief Executive, Commission for Racial Equality, 50; The Rev Martin Smyth MP, 65; Sir Ninian Stephen, former Governor-General

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isher, 89; Professor Harold Hanham, Vice-Chancellor, Lancaster Univer-sity, 68; The Right Rev David Konnt, Roman Catholic Bishop of Leeds, 66; Mr Rodney Lund, former chairman, Short Brothers, 60; Mr Neil MacGregor, Director, National Gallery, 50; Mr Ian Matthew, singer and songwriter, 50; Professor Robert Matthews, political econo-mist, 69; Sir John Peel, former MP, 84; Lord Peny of Walton, former Vice-Chancellor, Open University, 75; Mr Enoch Powell, former MP, 84; Lord Richardson, former President, General Medical Council, 86; Sir Ralph Robins, chairman, Rolls-Royce, 64; Miss Helen Ryan, actress, 58; Mr John Salthouse, actor, 45; Pro-fessor Erich Segal, classicist and screenwriter, 59; Mr David Whelton, managing director, the Philharmonia Orchestra, 42; Mr Simon Williams,

Anniversaries

TODAY: Births: Edward, the Black Prinze, 1330; George Heriot, jeweller and goldsmith, 1563; Nicolas Ponssin, paintex, 1594; Charles de Lafosse, hispanner, 1594; Charles de Lindsse, ins-torical painter, 1636; Edvard Grieg, composer, 1843; Charles Wood, mu-sician and scholar, 1866; Harry Lang-don, silent film comedian, 1884; James Norval Harald Robertson-Jus-James Nova Finish Roberts Robert
L, King of the Franks, killed in bertile, 923; Wat Tyler, rebel, beheaded at Smithfield, 1381; Ary Scheffer, painter, 1858; Mihail Eminescu, poet, 1889, Charles Francis Bush, inventor of the arc lamp, 1929; Evelyn Underhill, poet and writer, 1941; Wendell Meredith Stanley, biochemist, 1971. On this day: the

Magna Carta was scaled by King John at Runnymede, near Windsor. 1215; the Turks were victorious over the Serbs at Kossovo, Serbia, 1389; during the rebellion against Mary of Scotland, her forces were defeated at the Battle of Carberry Hill, 1567; Harrow School was founded, 1571; Commodore Anson arrived at Spithead in his ship Centurion after circumusvigating the world, 1744; using a kite during a thunderstorm, Ben-jamin Franklin experimented with electricity, 1752; the first stone of the new London Bridge was laid by the Duke of York, 1825; in the United States, Charles Goodyear patented a vulanised rubber (mocess, 1844; the Stamp Duty on newspapers in Britain was abolished, 1855; a massacre of Christians took place at Jedda, 1858; the Englishman Carlisle D. Graham was a Newspapers Falls (for the conwent over Niagara Falls (for the sec-ond time) in a seven-foot barrel, and survived, 1887; Prince Peter Karasurvived, 1887; Prince Peter Kara-georgevich was elected king by the Serbian Assembly, 1903; the first non-stop transatiantic flight was com-pleted by Alcock and Brown, 1919; Dame Nellie Melba made a public broadcast from the Marconi works at Chelmsford, Essex, 1920; the British army launched Operation Battleaxe offensive in the Western Desert, but was regulsed by Rommel. Desert, but was repulsed by Rommel, 1941; the Lake District, England was made into a National Park, 1951; Georges Pompidou became President of France, 1969; the first general elec-tion in Spain for more than 40 years resulted in a victory for the Democratic Centre party, 1977; Maj-Gen Jeremy Moore accepted the surrender of all Argentine forces on East and West Falkland, 1982. Today is the Feast Day of St Adelaide or Aleydis, St Dulas, St Edburga of Winchester,

St Germana Cousin, St Hesychius of Durostorum, St Landelinus, St Orisins and St Vitos. Today is the Official Birthday of the Queen. TOMORROW: Births: Sir John

vanni Paolo Colonna, composer, 1637; Henrietta Stuart, Duchess of Orleans, 1644; John Linnell, painter, 1792; Julius Plucker, mathe and scientist, 1801; William Shake-speare, tenor and composer, 1849; Stan Laurel (Arthur Stanley Jeffer-son), film comedian, 1890; Lupino Lane (Heavy Lupino), singer and en-tertainer, 1892. Deaths: John Churchill, First Duke of Marthurongh, 1722; Charles Sturt, explorer of Australia, 1869; Crawford Williamson Long, surgeon who pioneered the use of ether, 1878; Margaret Grace Bondfield, trade union leader and first woman cabinet minister, 1953; Imre Nagy, Hungarian prime minister, executed 1958; Harold Rupert Leofric George, First Earl Alexander of Timis, Field Marshal, 1969; Sir John Charles Walsham Reith, First Baron Reith of Stone-haven, first Director-General of the BBC, 1971; Wernher von Braun, rocket engineer, 1977. On this day: the siege of Gibsaltar began with Spanish and French attacks on the rock, 1779; the Prince of Orange defeated Napoleon's army under Mar-shal Ney at the Battle of Quatre Bras, 1815; the London Working Men's Association was founded, 1836; in the United States, Henry Ford founded his motor company, and became its first president, 1903; the Automobile Association was founded, 1905; the first public meeting of the League of Nations council was held in London, 1920; mixed bathing in the Serpen-

tine in Hyde Park, London, was first permitted, 1930; Winston Churchill offered France indissoluble union with Britain, 1940; Marshal Petain took over the French government and took over the French government and asked Garmany for an armistice, 1940; a Cathay Pacific Airways Catalina flying-boat was the first aircraft to be hijacked (by Chinese bondits), 1948; the first woman astronaut, Valentina Tereshkova, blasted off in Vostok 6, 1963; burglars were arrested at the Democratic Party headquar-ters, Waregate Boilding, Washington, DC, US, 1972. Tomocrow is the Feast Day of St Aurelian, St Benno of Meissen, Saints Cyr and Julitta, Saints Ferrecolus and Ferratio, St Lurgard and St Tychon of Amath

Lectures

TODAY

ational Gallery: Lynda Stephens, "Juno (iii): Rubens: Two paintings of The Judgment of Paris", 12 noon. Victoria and Albert Museum: Kate McKuskey, "Late 20th Century furniture design", 2.30pm.

The Gallery: Laurence Bradbury,

"Painters as Pedagogues", 1pm. British Museum: Michael Wood, "Pilgrimage in South India", t.15pm. National Portrait Gallery, David Livingstone Lecture Series: Colonel John Blashford-Snell, "In the Steps of Stanley: practicalities of African travel", 3pm. TOMORROW

Tate Gallery: Laurence Bradbury, "A Charm of Inspired Picture Titles: The works of Paul Klee", 2.30pm. National Portrait Gallery: John K.D. Cooper, "William Hogarth as a Por-trait Painter", 3pm.

How to keep madness out of religion

faith o reason

Paul Handley, the editor of the Church Times, argues this week that religion needs to remain a part of public life for its own good, as well as to keep society healthy.

It is healthy to be a fan. The lager cans stacked oear the television for today's match might tell a different story; but betier be a fan than a

The shorter word derives from the longer; but in the shortening the fan escapes the antics of those affected by the more serious conditioo. Pans know deep down that they have attached their loyalty to a fallible person or group of people. (For English fans this knowledge is closer to the surface.) Fans pray with their eyes opeo.

Fanatics, on the other hand cannot admit to any fail-ings in their heroes. They dominate, even if few go to have invested so much of themselves that to withdraw would leave them bankrupt, both emotionally aod, all too often, financially. Thus any failing which is exposed in the object of worship is denied, or willingly transferred to the follower, or attributed to hostile

Most of us stand in a muddy ditch betweeo the two conditions, the confused world inhabited by organised and disorganised religions. To be a fan is healthy, but is it eoough? Sceptical, humorous, post-modern adherence is rightly applied to a football team, or a rock band; but what degree of belief is appropri-ate to a political ideology, or a father, or a god?

Every oow and then, in the wearisome search for life's meaning, we listeo to the call of a shepherd who offers us guidance, and we take a few sheepish steps towards him. How close we approach depends more on our personal histories than on where he calls us - to green pastures, or the straight and narrow pathway, or over the

shepherds are the subject of in the open, it is less likely to Anthony Storr's forthcoming bad. In public, religioo is book, Feet of Clay (though the title could equally apply to a work oo the England team). In it he considers the make- he combating the indifferup and attractioo of gurus, ence which makes us so suslargely from the 20th century, but with a quick, inadeqoale look at Jesus and Healthy religion, demands Ignatius Loyola that its disciples wrestle with Ignatius Loyola

who become gurus - to a large degree a process of selfselection - are driven by a combination of conviction, delusion, confidence trickery and psychosis. His sketches of Jim Jones, responsible for the deaths of more than 900 followers in Guyana in 1978, to be welcomed. or David Koresh, who per-

ished with 86 disciples in Waco in 1993, make this hard

Most of those whom Storr profiles, including Rudolph Steiner, Bhagwan Shree Raincesh and Carl Jung, experienced disturbed or isolated childhoods (similar to those of their most passionate supporters) and their belief in their own chosenoess often dated from an early age. By the time they reached adulthood, the manipulation of others had become second nature to them.

This is reasonably straightforward stuff, since it is easy such lengths to achieve it. More difficult to grasp is how this destructive, selfish charlatanism actually benefited some of the followers. A survivor of ooe of the most repulsive gurus, David Koresh, described his time oo the Waco ranch as the happiest

days of his life. The loyalty which victims of abusive people or regimes display is well-documeoted. Part of the reasoo is the contrast between the intensity of living with an abuser and the unfriendly anonymity of what passes for normal life. If oeglect is recognised as a form of ahuse for children, why do we discount its damaging effects in adult life? The pernicious technique gurus use for snaring disciples is usually oothing more sinister than taking ootice of them. The Bhagwan might have had 93 Rolls Royces, but he had hig eyes: you forgot about the cars wheo he looked unblinking-

ly into yours.

It follows, then, that one of the protections against spiritual abuse is to keep religioo public. As long as a religious leader's power to befriend, These last, most dangerous and to comfort, is used out doing what it is made for: attempting to transform the whole of society. It should ceptible to the advances of the over-frieodly weirdoes. He conteods that those their idealism in the company of sceptics and unbelievers. The enormity of the task, the certainty of failure, and the constant questioning by others, eocourages the selfmocking humility essectial to mature discipleship. Any experience which aids this is

Another lager, anyone?

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Dinners HM Government

Mr Michael Portillo, Secretary of State for Defence, and Field Marshal Sir Peter Inge, Chief of the Defence Staff, were hosts at a dinner given yes-terday evening by HM Government at Apsley House, London W1, in ho-nour of Dr William Perry, Secretary of Defence of the United States of America, and General John Sha-likashvili, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff of the United States

Royal College of Radiologists Dr R. D. Hunter, Warden of the Faculty of Clinical Oncology of the Royal College of Radiologists, host-ed a dinner yesterday evening at 38 Portland Place, London W1, to mark the completion of Dr Margaret Spirtle's term of office as Dean of the Faculty of Clinical Oncology and Vice-President of the Royal College

of America. The Duke of Kent was

Royal Society of Edinburgh The Royal Society of Edinburgh has

announced the award of the following research fellowships: BP/ RSE Research Fellowships: Dr Neil Robinson, Edinburgh University; Dr Ian Shannon, St Andrews University. Caledonius Research Foundation / RSE Personni Research Fellowships: Dr Catherine Botting, St Andrews University: Dr Alison Pidose, Western Gen-eral Hospital, Edinburgh: Dr Malcolm White,

Burrow, Lancashire, left estate val-ued at £7,943,003 ncl. Mr Joseph Gold, of Hyver Hill, London NW7, left estate valued at £3,893,561 net.

ROYAL ENGAGEMENTS TODAY: The Queen takes the Salute at the Outch's line Queen takes the Salute at the Queen's Birthday Paradu, and at a fly past of Royal Air Force aircraft from the Bal-cony of Buckingham Palace; Princess Margaret also attends. TOMORROW: The Duke of Ediaburgh, Trustee, attends the Prince Philip Trust Fund for the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead's reception at the Guildhall, Windsor, Berk-shire. The Buchests of Glancestee, Vice Pashire. The Duchess of Gloscester, Vice Patron, Queen's Club, presents the prizes at the Finals of the Stella Artois Grass Court Championships at Queen's Club. London W14. The Duckets of Keat, Pres-ident, attends farewell celebrations for Sir John Manduell, Principal, Royal Northern

College of Music, Manchester. Prince Michael of Kent, Patron, Museum of Army Flying, attends the Middle Wallop International Air Show.

Changing of the Guard Changing of the Gitard
TODAY: The Household Cavalry Mounted Regiment mounts the Queen's Life
Guard at Horse Guards, 11am; 1st Battalion Irish Guards mounts the Queen's
Guard, at Backingham Palace, 1pm. TOMORROW: The Household Cavalry
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My nest is empty, and I love it

Fran Abrams enjoys her career, Sunday lie-ins and walks in the forest. She is one of a growing number of women who will be happy never to change a nappy

hearts I knew it already. hut vesterday's news gave it an official stamp. I am not an enigma. I am a social trend.

My lack of maternal desire, it seems, is replicated in up to one fifth of my age group. Women born in the Sixties, as I was, are delaying childbirth until later and later. Many of us have jettisoned it altogether. According to the Office for National Statistics, women in their twenties and thirties are now twice as likely as those in their forties and fifties to end their lives without raising a

It would be comforting for the moral majority, of course, if we could attribute this plunge in fertility rates to the environment rather than to society. Pollution, falling sperm counts and the harmful rays emitted by com-puters would all he safe, quan-tifiable explanations with measurable solutions. But it is not so. It is now down in black and white. In inner London, 35 per cent of pregnancies end in abortion, while the national average has reached 20 per cent.

No doubt there will be a small outhreak of moral panic as the ripples caused by this revelation spread outwards across the social pond. Feminists, the unwed, professional women and all those dedicated to good, plain, childless fun should steel themselves for a renewed attack from the family lohby. The word "selfish" will be used freely and in my opinion, gra-tuitously, Selfish? Why? When I read articles about

the scourge of the self-centred career woman in the Daily Mail or the Daily Telegraph my right-cous umhrage is always tempered by a sneaking smugness. I congratulate myself with the thought that these are just the mean-spirited outpourings of women whose lives were marred by child-rearing, or who simply never had the choice.

Why should they feel so threatened? I ask myself. Sure, the thirtysomething women for whom I have sudshrugged off the responsibilities that weighed so heavily on their mothers' shoulders. I eat out when I choose, stay late in the office when I choose and nip off to my country cottage at weekends. I bought my Fiesta Ghia

suppose in my heart of hrand new and relished its newcar smell afresh every time I got into it for months. My house has fresh flowers on the piano and on Sundays I listen to The Archers in bed with a pot of tea and the papers. This weekend I will entertain friends - a childless couple and a gay man. We may take a stroll in the forest. eat a country puh lunch or sim-ply sun ourselves in the garden, listening to the cooing of the wood pigeons. I can almost hear Lady Olga muttering, "Take, take, take."

Mayhe she is right, in a way.
Maybe my generation could
put more hack into society. We
benefited from a free education

I suppose there was a time when I assumed that I would have children, but the day always seemed impossibly far away

(sociology at York, if you must know) and from the increased freedoms that the feminist movement has won for women. Like the rest of society, we reap the fruits of a consumer age, but unlike the rest we have the time and the money to taste those delights.

The idea that hringing up children is some sort of duty is a deeply-rooted one which is very hard to shake off. Its origins go hack thousands of years and its purpose, I suspect, has much to do with keeping women in their place. Religions have championed the role of women as mothers and have afforded little status to those who remained childless. Nations, particularly small ones. have encouraged motherhood stock and swell their numbers. denly become emblematic have And many societies have pro-

moted the view that children are in some way necessary to their after them in their old age - a particularly risky reason for giving up 20 years of one's life. Perhaps there was a time, particularly in the aftermath of the two world wars, when Britain needed more children, Now, though, our population is plen-tiful. Britain does not have a labour shortage, though it does have a skills shortage, and for a small island it is extraordinarily densely populated. A few less of us would be no bad thing, and if the situation becomes critical we could even relax our immigration laws a little.

I must confess I was a little surprised when I discovered what good company I was in though. I had assumed that my childless friends and I were rather odd. Perhaps, I speculated, we had a vital organ missing. Perhaps my mother took pity on me when I was small and removed from my brain the maternal widget with which all women are equipped. But no, if there are really so many of us, the reasons cannot be wholly biological.

I think that at least part of the explanation can he traced back to our earliest days. I rang around some childless friends yesterday, and though most of them seemed to be off enjoying foreign holidays, many of those who were contactable agreed that their parents had high expectations of them. We grew up in an age of expanding educational opportunities, and although both my parents were graduates, many of my peers' were not. The common link was that all of our parents recognised the expanding opportunities that were open to their children, in particular their daughters.

I can recall many childhood conversations about what I wanted to be after I finished university, but none about who I would marry, or whether I wanted daughters or sons. And I always had an answer, too; though not necessarily a realistic one. By the age of four I had decided that being Tubby the Tuba's friend would not be a smart career move and had progressed to plans for a life in the circus. Aspirations to go into veterinary science, animal psychology and social work helped to fill in the intervening had the feeling that if we turned years before I finally plumped for journalism.

parents because they will look came first. And when my friends after them in their old age - a and I got there, when we finally got our foot on that career lad-der, we found that the world of work was very different from

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the one our parents had known. We had to be determined and we had to be ready to grasp every opportunity. There was little chance of finding a husband, settling down round the always seemed impossibly far corner from our parents and letting the rest come naturally. We our hacks for a minute the whole economic world would So education and career have moved on again and we ame first. And when my friends and I got there, when we finally bahies slide for a while, enjoying the fine wine and the lie-ins. Then for some of us, the fruits that were forbidden to our

mothers' generation became just too hard to give up. I suppose there was a time when I assumed that I would have children, but the day approached near enough to focus on it that I finally decided it was not for me. Somewhere in the back of my mind I had already resolved not to struggle under the double burden of

full-time work and three chil-

dren which my mother carried.

but I had not bothered to think

very hard about how.

It was my contemporaries who really clinched it. The sight of friends my own age changing nappies, carting around vast quantities of baby equipment and whiling away Saturday away. It was only when I mornings at ballet classes failed to chime with my image of myself and of them. We simply weren't grown up enough for all that ... were we?

Of course, the barren-andproud generation aren't all the same. Some, like me, took off so fast down the road to economic independence that they were loath to turn back even far

enough to get married at all. They didn't have the same financial incentive that women had in earlier generations. They could look after themselves, thank you very much, and anyway those years living alone had

Some of our contemporaries have got married but have stopped short of the decision to have children. Their lives, they say, are full enough already. They have enough trouble organising themselves and their husbands, what with the fulltime joh, the gardening to do

and a couple of other hobbies besides. There simply isn't room in the schedule for a

A third group have settled . with a partner and then just delayed, meaning to have a family later. One childless friend I rang yesterday, in the same relationship for many years, confided that she had been trying without success to get pregnant. Now in her mid-thirties, she knows her chan (3) are declining.

"In my twenties I was desperate not to get pregnant. I didn't want to ruin my life. I had a negative thing about being a mother, but now I can think of positive things as well," she

She is right. There are many negative things about being a mother, not least the inflexible attitudes of employers in this country and the lack of decent childcare facilities. For a woman with a successful career and all the economic benefits that brings, the decision to become a mother is not an

easy onc. But the difficulties are not merely economic and practical. There is another negative thing about motherhood that will make the current trend much harder to reverse; its image.

Mothering has always been a low-status activity, but in the past so was women's work. Our grandmothers, faced with a choice between ignomissious spinsterhood, a little job as a nurse or governess and the role of wife and mother, had nothing to lose. The professional women of the 1990s have a great deal.

Lady Olga and her pals are not helping at all. Maybe hav-ing children is the most natural thing in the world, as they maintain, but that certainly doesn't mean all of us have to do it. I am desperately fond of my two nieces and even enjoy the company of my friends children, but I wouldn't swap places with their parents for a

tions of women, from the sulfragettes to the bra-burners of the Sixties agitated, broke the law and exposed themselves to ridicule to put me and my contemporaries where we are today. I, for one, am determined to enjoy my privileges to

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Jo Brand's we

Euro 96 is well under way and it's interesting to see how different crowds react to their team. Holland, for example, always seems to have a very sprightly band on hand to knock out a few chart hits, whereas the Turkish fans appear not to he able to stop whistling when their team has lost possession. Considering that against Croatia the Turks didn't have the ball for most of the match, this led to an irritating high-pitched whining which went on for nearly all of the 90 minutes. I expect dogs all over the area were going bonkers.

After all the hype, it's a bic sad, too, to see great chunks of empty seats.

Perhaps it's time to drop the ticket price and let a few locals into the games.

at the hands of the press. It seems that journalists have been hining up to gleefully pull apart her late night show, which has not done too well in the ratings. I have seen tone to wen in the ratings. I have seen some appallingly tasteless and nasty attacks that have no place in civilised (yep, I know I'm pushing it with some tabloids) newspapers. So the show didn't work. Big deal. That should not mean the floodgates are open for every misogynist neanderthal to ply their nasty small-minded opinions on everything from her appearance to her clothes. Gaby Roslin has one thing that these bigoted, vicious little thugs do not have. She is a straightforward, decent, nice person and I hope she sticks two fingers up to the lot of them.

Gaby Roslin has had a shockingly bad time

I would like to thank a charming woman who wrote to me after I went on Question Time, praising my contribution. However, she then went on to say that the "bird's nest" on my head was an insult to "David" and the rest of the panel and the audience and the viewers. Unaccustomed as I am to such erudite political criticism, I should perhaps point out that, as yet, no law exists to prevent me having my hair how I want it. Should such a law ever come into being, I will flatten it down, comh it and live my life out as a gym teacher lookalike. Until then, hirds' nests forever.

The intricate and intimate details of relationships always seem so tacky and trivial when thrown under the gaze of the courts and the press. The display of hitterness and revenge in



the public arena by the Geldof and Yates pairing is a good example of why it's a very good idea to keep your split as private as possible. Another example appeared in the press this week that illustrated the ridiculous things we do in private which we hope will never become public. A husband had criticised the dinner his wife made him, causing her to make a false allegation of rape against him.
"Criticising" actually involved the poor man expecting roast chicken and getting pie and potato instead, which he promptly lobbed out of the window. How on earth do you legislate for the childish things we do when we are wound up beyond belief by our partners? The judge made the man promise to stay away from his wife. The husband is now back with his first wife. Hope she's good at roast

Live TV is a year old this week, so three sneers for the geniuses who have brought us topless darts and lunchbox volleyball. The latter is the usual sad attempt to even things up in the sex war by showing men playing volleyball with their genitals emphasised with different coloured bits of cloth. When will these people learn that looking at a bulge in a man's trousers is about as exciting as a car insurance ad in your local paper? Kelvin MacKenzie, the man (uatch) behind Live TV, says that their standards are set by their viewers, which might explain why they hardly have any. And as for the News Bunny ... let's just hope myxomatosis comes back.



News Bunny: come back myzomatosis

commodity by Live TV is a symptom of the retrograde step we have taken in the western world as far as the rights of women are concerned. There is a growing trade in women happening in Europe, as many women from countries such as Russia and Hungary are tricked into seemingly attractive jobs only to find when they arrive at their destination that all that is on offer is a job as a prostitute, accompanied by beatings and rape if they do not comply. That some men are able to do this to women they don't know is a result of them being able to view women as nothing more than a receptacle for their emissions. A bigger group of men comply by turning a blind eye and utilising the services on offer. Women who complain about these kind of injustices receive a harrage of ahuse hased on their unsuitability as a sexual partner and "obvious" frustration.

The treatment of women as a

Unfortunately, when women offend men by having a go at them about these matters, they are belittled and their opinion is dismissed. But if we drin't watch it, we will go further hackwards in time until we've lost more gains. So, I'll carry on slagging blokes off if they deserve it and halls to anyone who doesn't like it.

Boris Yeltsin seems to have pulled nut all the stops to win the election race in Russia, even going in the lengths of throwing himself around in a dancing fashing to grab the youth vote. In my experience, this always has the apposite effect. It's hit like your dad trying really hard to dance to Blur at a wedding. Any admiration you might have for him "baving a go" evaporates ns soon at he takes the floor.

Let's hope the Russians aren't taken in by phnto opportunities. Lots of other nations are,

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The man who would rule Russia

sion programme Hero of the Day last Thesday, Gennady Andreyevich Zyuganov, the Com-munist challenger to President Boris Yeltsin in tomorrow's election, was asked if he was afraid of losing. He replied: "I am afraid for Russia. Gorbachev's five years destroyed the state and caused unheard-of humiliation, such as humanitarian aid. Under Yeltsin, the economy has fallen apart, impoverishment and crime are rampant. Another two years of such policies and we will lose

our country and money."
This is Zyuganov the candidate speaking a politician fishing for the votes of the poor, elderly and downtrodden, the millions of Russians nostalgic for the drab certainties of Soviet communism, He is thirsty for power, but he accepts that he must win it by attracting popular support in a free election. Yet there is another, darker side

to Mr Zyuganov, a former school-teacher and apparatchik in the Soviet Communist Party's Propa-ganda Department. Consider the policy priorities outlined in his books Beyond the Horizon and Russia and the Contemporary World. Third is: "End mockery of the army, state security agents and police."

Nor are his opinions of Western countries reassuring. Here he is on the 1945-1991 years: "During this time, the West tried to use anti-Communist rhetoric about a 'free world' and hypocritical concern about 'human rights' as an ideological screen to hide its pursuit of its centuries-old geopolitical interests.

If Zyuganov defeats Yeltsin, he will seek to re-build the Soviet Union, warns Tony Barber

such as folk dancing and smiling at

which require the weakening and, if possible, the annihilation of Russia." It was probably the regurgitation of such banalities that ensured Mr Zyuganov'a progression up the ranks of the Komsomol, the Communist youth league, in his native area of Oryol, south of Moscow. Born on 26 June, 1944, in the vil-lage of Mymrino, he worked as a physical education teacher before deciding that the Komsomol – the

He has few hobbies but is proud that last year he earned a doctorate in philosophy from Moscow University. More embarrassing was a literary award from a pro-Communist

writers' group whose previous win-ners included Fidel Castro and Radovan Karadzic. After his spell in the Propaganda Department, he shot to prominence first stepping-stone to privilege and power in Soviet times - was the in 1990 when he was made a Politburo member of the Russian Com-

munist Party, an organisation dedi-

hardliners that a coup d'état was

The coup failed, Mr Yeltsin banned the Communist Party and the Soviet Union collapsed, but within a year Mr Zyuganov was back as co-leader of the National Salvation Front, a movement with ultra-nationalist, even neofascist leanings. The Russian Com-munist Party was allowed to re-emerge in February 1993 and, largely because of his impeccably inflexible socialist and nationalist credentials, Mr Zyuganov was elected leader almost unanimously.

There could be resistance, even civil conflict, if he tried to jail politicians from the Yeltsin era

His wife, Nadezhda, now an engineer at a Moscow watch factory, bore him a son and daughter as he moved up through the district, city and regional committee of the Komsomol, earning a reputation as a dour loyalist who always did the right

thing: lay low. vate man. He rarely appears in public with his wife; he answers tricky questions with a nervous chuckle; and during this campaign, he has never looked more awkward than when doing the things expected of Russian politicians running for office, cated to reversing the reforms of Mikhail Gorbachev. Now Mr Zyuganov's career becomes interesting. Seeking to unite the conservative Communist and Russian nationalist opposition to Mr Gorbachev, he formed a movement called the Council for Popular-Patrie Forces. Three weeks before N Gorbachev's opponents in the KGB, army and party launched the abortive putsch of August 1991, Mr Zyuganov was among those who signed the infamous open letter, "A Word to the People", which served as a kind of public warning from the

These days, he goes to great lengths to stress his moderation. No longer does he write for anti-Semitic publications such as Al-Kods, or assert publicly that the CIA planned and carried out the Soviet Union's destruction. Instead, he says: "If you take the 10 comments of Moses and put next to our platform, there is no dif-

Indeed, some proposals are modest: state support for the needy, more industrial investment, a bit of tinkering with Russia's privatisation programme but no wholesale attack on the new market economy. However, other elements of the Zyuganov world vision are not so

cosy. He longs to recreate the Soviet Union, or at least to forge a new Russian-led state including all or most former Soviet republics. He swears he would use only peaceful means, but the disturbing thing is that he should be contemplating such a step in the first place. Perhaps the Russian army is too disorganised, and the Russian economy is too dependent on Western assistance, for Mr Zyuganov to fulfil his neo-Soviet ambitions. But one of the Russian parliament's first acts, after the Communists won last December's elections, was to denounce the treaty that formally dissolved the Soviet Union.

Then there is the question of how Mr Zyuganov, as president, would treat his political opponents. Was it an accident that the Russian Communist press recently devoted an unusual amount of space to the imprisonment of two former South Korean presidents? Or was it a mes-sage to Mr Yeltsin to watch out?

Few liberal Russians doubt that Mr Zyuganov would seek to consolidate his victory by curtailing media freedoms, curbing opposi-tion activity and rigging future elec-tions. If he tried to jail leading from the Yeltsin era, there could be resistance, even civil conflict.

First of all, Mr Zyuganov has to come first or second tomorrow, and then win the second round in early July. Many people, in Russia and abroad, are praying that he fails.

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Zips and doodahs

Show me an "authoritar-ian" and I will show you a parent. Uotil the hirth of our first child we feel that censorship, moral guidance and authority are in place sim-ply to restrict our freedoms and curtail our enjoyment. What does it matter to us if homosexuals actually hold hands in public? Or if 17-yearolds smoke cannabis resin? But oh how very different things look when little Basil or Belinda is born. Suddenly we are in the position of steering another through life's shoals, and what before seemed "groovy" must now be seen in a very different light.

Personally I can measure the growth of my own moral maturity by my changing reac-tion to the film output of the Disney Corporatioo. Once I would have scoffed at those who, like the American Family Association, have accused Disney of "attacking family values". But I have changed my mind. Left-wingers have always been adept at inviting us to "decode the metatext" - to examine the deeper social and moral messages being conveyed by pieces of art or music. So, night after night, as my innocent ones have rested their curly heads against my ehest, I have been as busy decoding as Bletchley Park on a busy night in 1943. And I do not like what

For instance, can you name me ooe intact family to be found in any of Disney's major animations? Dumbo was dropped by a stork on his numarried elephant mother. No Jumbo anywhere. In The Aristocats we have the Zsa Zsa Gabor-voiced mother cat and three small kittens. Not only is there no dad, but there is no reference to one. Instead we witness the consummation of a relationship between the female cat and the first male to come along (O'Malley, the alley cat). Beauty's mother is dead, as is Pocahontas's. The Little Mermaid's and Jasmine's (Aladdin) are simply and mexplicably absent. Cinderella, Mowgli and Wart (The ie Book and The Sword in the Stone) are orphans, not to mention Donald's "nephews" Hewey, Dewey and Lewey, 1s this not an extraordinary record for a so-called "family entertainment corporation?

Even worse are the oumber of irregular relationships that

these children strike up with adults. Wari lives alone in a stone cottage with an old wizard. Pinocchio is created out of wood by a single man and upon turning into a boy snuggles up to him in a large bot with a ensolciously sail. bed, with a suspiciously sati-ated smile on his face, in the appalling Song of the South an ancient negro man inveigles children into his hut and tells them long stories. Whatever happened to "don't talk to

strangers": Snow White features seven little men who live together, sleep together and hathe together. One, who seems con-stantly to be inebriated or worse, is called Dopey: Another

Sneezy was created at the height of the first great Hollywood cocaine epidemic

(created, let it be remembered, at the height of the first great cocaine epidemic in Hollywood) is known as Sneezy.

Petty theft is excused on grounds of poverty (Aladdin again): in Beauty and the Beast the natural hostility of a community to the bestial outside threat is depicted as proto-fascism, and *Pollyanna*'s hero-me (orphaned, naturally) subverts an entire community, including a robust preacher, turning them into a Sixties-syle commune.

And how well the Disney liberals understand the power of language! Consider the use of double entendres in those catchy ditties available to all ehildren on video, CD and tape. Older kids will surely not be unaware of the possi-bilities inherent in "Some Day My Prince Will Come", younger ones of the seductive, unclothed freedoms of "Bare Necessities". But these pale in comparison with the notorious "Zippedy doodah". We know what a zip is - and I think can guess at the doodah.

is this. Clean up your aet and do it now. Otherwise, this father-stern, but loving-will not be buying any more of your merchandise. Except, possi-bly, 101 Dalmations.

My message to Disney, then,

You would like to win. We need to

Ruth Wishart says there is more at stake than mere victory when Scotland play England today

See you, Nigel? You know not the meaning of angst. What have you to worry your little English head bout at 3pm this sunny afternoon? rou will hope, of course, that Mr Gasspigne's culinary tastes will not have an to a late-night Chinese carry-out with a tequila chaser. You would be omforted to learn that your strike orce had concluded that disco dancng was an imperfect means of attainog optimum match fitness. But for you, it is truly only a game.

cotland v England. A sporting blip ncreasing marginally in importance recause giving these whingeing Jocks decent hiding would help ensure that he host natioo did not depart Euro 96 inbarrassingly early. So you would ike to win. We need to. The prospect of beating England at Wembley causes he saliva glands of every humble ootsoldier in the Tartan Army to nove into extra time.

The Scotland manager publicly iffects irritation that this army would wap a place in the next round for a 5-0 result in their favour today. In ruth, while Craig Brown badly wants to huck the normal trend and get his team into the final stages of a major tournament, he too is a not-so-secret plaid-clad fanatic. Used to wear a lammy to matches, did Mr Brown, perore he became manager.

So why should the Scots treat this minor sporting fixture - the 108th such lash – as a major national virility symol? For they do. To the hunger to duff England up at soccer add the hysteria hat greeted Scotland's Grand Slam ngby win over the ancient enemy in 1990, and the period of sustained iuming which followed the failure produce a reprise in spring this year. This year is the 250th anniversary of

he battle of Culloden. It was not Scot-

Edward Stuart had previously

narched on England to claim the

hrone, but chose to make a tactical

etreat home after reaching Derby.

and's finest hour. Prince Charles



The Tartan Army remembers Bannockburn, where Robert the Bruce got o result Photograph: Edward Webb

Back home, on Culloden Moor, it was ' just nine out of 28 Wemhley encounoot a game of two halves so moch as were actually Scots fighting on both sides. In popular mythology, the guys in the black hats were English. And a mission to avenge has been woven into

the Scottish psyche ever since. This afternoon, you will see many thousand of banners with Lions Rampant and hearing the arithmetical legend 1314. This is not the date of Culloden, but of Bannockburn, where Robert the Bruce gained a rather more favourable result. Eat your heart out, Mel Gibson.

Each visit to Wembley is viewed through the prism of Bannockburn, and each fan devontly wishes to be there in person when we post one of our famous, if distressingly infrequent, victories. Thus far we have won

ters (though we would like five draws a bit of a rout. Armchair historians to be takeo into consideration.) It will prefer to gloss over the fact that there not shock you to learn that the recent repetition of TV footage lovingly recording England's World Cup victory in 1966 is not right at the top of the Scottish viewing charts. The hallowed memory for the Scot is one year later when Scotland came to Wembley and beat the world champions 3-Scottish logic asserted that if you beat the World Cup holders, you are clearly the best team in the universe. Those of us who have followed this team to many World Cups know this is not precisely the case. There are many memories over which a compassionate veil is drawn involving such stirring results as a 1-1 draw with Iran. But to be a Scotland fan is to be a born-again optimist. To know that by the law of statistical averages,

hope will sometimes triumph over

It did so in Birmingham last Mon-day when the Netherlands were not held to a draw by an equally skilful squad, but a desperately committed one. Part of the reason for that commitment was a heartfelt desire to make

the starting line-up at Wembley today.

The thing is, chaps, we're all in this together. We all want very badly to beat you, Nigel. And that desire is fuelled afresh this week by what I can only call the casual arrogance displayed by many of my media col-leagues in the South. What mastermind at ITV thought "Jerusalem" would an appropriate anthem for a UK-wide andience of Euro 96? Nice tune, shame about the lyrics. And the thought of the lyrics so infiltrated the costrils of viewers in Scotland that Scottish Television had a hasty re-think

and found a less inflammatory theme. Neither did homebound Scottish supporters thrill to the constant, unthinking reference by TV pundits to England as "we", implying that Inger-land was all of us. We are us. You are them down there.

Then there is the perennial assumption that the other UK contenders for sporting glory are parochial no-hopers. I noted Bryan Appleyard, in this very newspaper, was musing about the possibility of a British team to which the cream of the four nations might aspire. But it wouldn't really do, said Bryan. Ryan Giggs would be the only oon-Englishman worthy of serious consideration. Strange, then, that Monaco should have written a multimillioo pound cheque for our John Collins. Or that Andy Goram's abilities in goal should have defied the Dutch magicians.

But there I go. Whingeing again. Just like a bloody Jock - chip oo every available shoulder. I shall, of course, be there in person this afternoon, tak-ing my place with my Scotland Travel Club platoon - the one that didn't stop at Derby or Birmingham but marched on to the capital with banners aloft.

After all, Scotland v England at Wembley used to be a biennial event, ooe for which Scottish fans saved in pubs and clubs for the pilgrimage. Deprived of that anticipation for eight years, the appetite is well and truly whetted. In the past, we used to run a pre-match victory lunch at our home before the Hampden leg - just in case there wasn't quite the same cause for jubilation at 4.45.

The precautionary measure this time is a holiday flight leaving London at dawn tomorrow. Not, of course, that we anticipate anything but glorious victory. But there's no point in hanging around, really. Just in case the English turn out to be bad losers.

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How a UK inspector halted the progress of the maverick trader who took Sumitomo for \$1.8bn

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The Scrious Fraud Office is to investigate the \$1.8bn (£1.2bn) loss resulting from unauthorised trading at the Japanese Sumitomo Corporation, the world's

largest copper dealer.
The SFO, which investigates major fraud io Britain, has taken on the case together with the City of Loodon Police. It will be co-operating with London's Securities and Investments Board, whose original iovestigation unearthed the losses which were ruo up over a period of 10

The scale of the losses eclipse



Jeremy Orme: Led the SIB

losses at Barings and the \$1.1bn lost by Daiwa Bank last year from unauthorised bood trading by Toshihide Iguchi, one of its executives in the US.

Uncovering the scandal represents a coup for the Securities and Investments Board in London, The SIB has been tracking the affair for more than six months with a team led by Jeremy Orme, the SIB's en-

The SIB, together with the London Metals Exchange, bad become concerned about the wild fluctuations in the copper price. On Thursday only bours before Sumitomo broke the news about its problems, David King, Chief executive of the

To many of his colleagues at

Sumitomo, Yasuo Hamanaka

was known as the "Man in the

Grey Flannel Suit". A quietly-spoken, shy, bespectacled 48-year-old, Mr Hamanaka appeared nothing like the mod-

ern-day image of an aggressive trader living in the fast lane.

market-trading community.

where he was an acknowledged

top operator, his buying and

selling activities led to him be-

ing dubbed "Mr Five Per Cent" trader," Mr Akiyama said.

Yet within the world copper

that minipulation is taking place. We have carried out inquiries and are looking at the

issues on an on-going basis." As copper prices plunged yesterday, there were fears that other copper traders might face financial difficulties. The threemonth copper price closed \$175 down yesterday at \$1,980 per

It was unclear yesterday whether or oot Sumitomo had closed its trading positions. Dealings in Sumitomo's shares were suspended in Tokyo yes-terday, however the scandal is unlikely to result in the collapse of the company which is one of the largest in the world with assets of around \$50bn.

Copper dealers said Sumitomo's losses could eventually reach \$2.5bn: "The copper mar-ket will remain extremely volatile," one dealer said.

In a shame-faced press conference in Tokyo, Sumitomo's president Tomiichi Akiyama laced the entire blame for the scandal oo 48-year old Yasuo Hamanaka, the former bead of trading who was dismissed on Thursday.

"We deeply regret - and are profouodly embarrassed by these sever violations of our company's business policies," he said. "I am overwhelmed with shame." Later he added that Mr Hakahama had carried out the trades on his own initiative. "It wasn't discovered for 10 years because of a highly skilled

cover-up operation."

However, other copper experts are certain Mr Hamanaka was acting in concert with others. "There must bave been people in the London market who knew what he was doing." one expert said.

One metals analyst agreed: He must have been booking fake trades and rolling them over. There has to bave been

The trail to the epic fraud be-gan with the Securities and Investments Board, the City regulatory authority. Together with the London Metals Exchange it bad become con-

contradictory images of the same man finally exploded into

the public arena yesterday.

when a stunned Sumitomo an-

nounced that Mr Hamanaka

had lost the company \$1.8bn (£1.2bn) over the past 10 years.

president, Tomiichi Akiyama,

seemed at a loss to explain bow he could bave misjudged him.

"My impression of him was

that he was a man of great

control, a man of logic, so I

trusted him as a very able metal

In Tokyo, even Sumitomo's



Taken for the most expensive ride in history: a rueful official outside Sumitomo Corporation's headquarters in Tokyo yesterday

cerned later last year about the volatility of the copper price. Certain rumours in the market had also given cause for

One of the anomalies Mr Orme at the SIB focused on was the causes of backwardisation in the copper price. This is when the immediate (casb) price of the commodity is high-er than the futures price. This is unusual with copper due to the cost of warehousing and insuring the metal. Normally the cash price is lower.

A further problem for the investigators was that much of the metals trading in London operates outside of the Exchanges jurisdiction. Market professionals use the base price of copper as guidance but conduct

itomo in 1970 and spent all his

time in the metals department.

ally shift employees' jobs every two or three years," said a se-

nior official at a large brass mak-

er and a customer of Sumitomo.

"But Mr Hamanaka bas been

involved with the copper section

for more than 20 years - quite an unusual career." "Mr Five

that, apart from a brief spell in

London at the start of his career,

he always turned down overseas

"Japanese trade houses usu-

A copper-bottomed dealer named Mr Five per cent

Per Cent" was also unusual in Per Cent" because his non-fer-

postings, preferring to remain pany the biggest player in the

deals on their own account. It is one of the few markets left with this relatively low level of regulation.

SIB mounted an investigation under Section 105 of the Financial Services Act which enable them to take evidence from clients and official sources.

don briefly in the late 1970s to

learn the London Metal Ex-

change husiness first-hand as a

young clerk in tin and nickel.

Back in Japan, by 1983 he was selling about 10,000 tonnes a

year of copper and by the end

of the 1980s be was a power in

the world copper market. In-

dustry officials say they nick-

named Mr Hamanaka "Mr Five

rous metals division controlled

nearly 5 per cent of world cop-

per trading, making the com-

ka, known as "Mr Five per Cent" because of the huge proportion of the world copper market he controlled. During a 26 year career he had built up a reputation as a skilled and aggressive trader.

Based in Tokyo but conduct-

The Hammer", was a play on

his name and the way his deals

could "hammer" the market,

they added. As Sumitomo and

the copper market discovered

vesterday, none of his coups was

quite as spectacular as the one that saw his balance sheet move

Sumitomo took daily metal

trading out of his bands last

month as its investigation into

his activities turned up more

and more questions. He was

moved from the position of

chief copper trader to become

so staggeringly into the red.

The trail led to Mr Hamana-



ing many of the deals through London and New York, Mr Hamanaka controlled a team of up to seven copper traders but saw himself as very much "the main man". He had a reputation for taking long positions on

Late last year, Britain's Se-corities and Investment Bureau (SIB) and its American counterpart, the Commodities Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) began to examine fluotuating copper prices and it was during this investigation, ac-cording to Sumitomo, that Mr Hamanaka's subterfuge was uncovered. Last mouth, he was demoted from his position as head of copper trading after suspicions that be allowed a com-

ager of the firm's non-ferrous

Married with a daughter, he

always fiercely guarded his pri-

vate life, once berating a jour-

nalist for calling him at home

with a question about the cop-

His colleagues were unable yesterday to come to terms

with Mr Hamanaka's new-

found notoriety: "He nearly al-

ways dressed in a grey suit. We always thought of him as Mr Corporate," a young trader

metals division.

per market.

Sumitomo's name in a copper trading account. The mere hint that be might be oo the way out was enough to drive down cop-Further investigation by Sum-

itomo revealed a hitherto unknown bank account held in the company's name which had apparently been used to fund secret and unauthorised trades on copper futures and options. According to the Corporation, aware that be was about to be unmasked, Mr Hamanaka confessed to his activities on 5

He had been conducting "offthe-books" trading for a decade, apparently in an effort to recoup spiralling losses, and was formally sacked yesterday. Comment, page 19



Yasuo Hamanaka: 'The man in the grey flannel suit'

one of the largest traders of copper in the world. His pre-eminent position in copper trading is attributable to expertise in risk manage ment 7 WSDIIN Sumitomo annual report, 1991

∠We don't believe that manipulation is taking place. We have carried out inquiries and are looking at the issues on an ongoing basis 7

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Hamanaka is

David King, chief executive of LME, hours before Sumitomo drops its bombshell

∠ We deeply regret and are profoundly embarrassed by these severe violations of our .company's ·business policies ... There are still a lot of things we don't understand about the incident. I am overwhelmed with shame ? Tomiichi Akiyama,

president of Sumitomo

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Battle over TransCo intensifies

MAGNUS GRIMOND

The Monopolies Commission vesterday looked certain to be drawn into the battle hetween British Gas and Ofgas over its recent review of the TransCo pipeline business after the gas

group lauoched a wide-ranging attack on the proposals.

Unveiling its detailed re-sponse Philip Rogerson, deputy chairman of British Gas, said: "If at the end of the day we don't get an Ofgas proposal which we regard as acceptable, we believe we can take a case to the MMC which they will regard as credible and sensible."

Mr Rogersoo claimed that

several of the assumptions under which the regulator, Clare regulatory system. Spottiswoode, had arrived at her

could endanger the security of supply of gas in the UK. She was overturning established princi-ples in reducing British Gas's assets for regulatory purposes to between £9bn and £11bn.

Her proposals were unreal-istic, unsustainable and threatened the successful introduction of domestic competition in 1998. If implemented, "they would represent a very significant interference in the right of

management to manage". He said there was no personal animosity against Ms Spottis-woode, but he attacked "the huge untrammelled power of a single individual. What we are seeing is the power of an individual regulator to change the

He said it would "probably be helpful" if the regulator had

a board of non-executive direc-tors akin to that of a commercial company to provide a check

on ber powers. Although both sides are understood to have met this week, the gulf between them was evident from Mr Rogerson's complaint that three key reports on which the Ofgas proposals were based had been withheld from

the company.

While British Gas bad supplied 1,200 documents to the regulator, it had been refused a Coopers & Lybrand study of the company's operating costs, a report by consulting engineers WS Atkins on capital expenditure and the financial model used by Ofgas. Mr Rogerson said Ofgas's de-

mand for a 4 per cent a year cut from the FT-SE All Share. in controllable costs was unre-

alistic and translated into a productivity improvement of 10 per cent of sales, or four to ve times the national average. assumed a reduction of op to 50 per cent in areas like safety, on which British Gas currently spends around £140m a year and a halving of the current workforce of 20,000. "We could not run this business with that

many people."

He threw back the regulator's claim that the pricing regime had unduly favoured sharebolders. Since privatisation in 1986, customers had seen prices fall by 23 per cent, while sharebolders have enjoyed a return of 4.5 per cent a year, including dividends, less than half the 9.3 per cent average derived

Dynamic Harm nets £14m from squash

MAGNUS GRIMOND

Harm Tegelaars, who founded Dynamic Leisure in 1980 with the proceeds of the sale of his bouse after discovering bow badly managed squash clubs were, yesterday netted a £14m windfall after selling his company to Vardon.

Vardon, the leisure group that owns the London Dun-geon, will increase in size by 50 per cent following the £40.5m purchase of Dynamie Leisure, which trades as Archer Leisure. The acquisition takes Vardon, founded in 1992, into leisure clubs for the first time and completes its plans to develop a broad base in the leisure seca string of hingo clubs, Sea Life centres and the Park Dean chain of caravan parks.

Dynamic Leisure runs 25 leisure operations for eight local authorities, owns nine health and fitness clubs operating under the Metropolitan name and three public lawn ten-

Forecast profits of £4.5m for Dynamic Leisure for the current year to December are expected by analysis to raise their predictions for the enlarged Vardon group's pre-tax total from £9.14m last time to £12.4m. Consideration for the acquisition will be through the issue of 33.8 million shares and £3.1m in cash, raised through a Comment, page 19 | tor. The group already operates placing at 118p a share.

Gongs ring out across City's boardrooms •

JOHN WILLCOCK

Arise Sir John Craven, Sir Nigel Rudd, Sir Richard Evans and Sir Clive Thompson. The Queen's Birthday Honours list will have brought delight to a number of City and industry big-wigs, in-cluding knighthoods for the

Sir John Craven, chairman of Morgan Grenfell Group, bas got his knighthood "for services to banking and to the City". The South African-born banker resurrected Morgan Grenfell fol-lowing the Gunness debacle in the 1980s, and then sold Morgan on to Deutsche Bank.

Sir John recently stood down from the Vorstand, Deutsche's ruling council, but he remains influential as Morgan Grenfell continues its pell-mell hiring of talent. Whether Deutsche Morgan Grenfell will succeed in becoming one of the world's 10 leading bulge-bracket investment banks remains to be seen, but Sir John's impact has been undeniable.

Sir Nigel Rudd is one of the few 1980s whizz-kids to have survived that dizzy decade and reinvent himself as one of the great and the good. Born in Derby, and having built his first modest fortune while still in his twenties, Sir Nigel then teamed up with Brian Mc-Gowan to build an industrial conglomerate from the detritus

of British manufacturing. Despite the failure of similar go-go companies such as British & Commonwealth, Williams Holdings was more conservative in its growth rate and is still

Sir Clive Thompson, chief ex-ecutive of Rentokil Group, has presided over one of the bestperforming shares in the last 15 years. Sir Clive is known as "Mr Twenty Per Cent" because he bas delivered 20 per cent earnings growth per annum over that period. He has also emerged battered but unbowed from the recent takeover battle for BET. Sir Richard Evans CBE, chief

executive of British Aerospace, gets his knighthood for services to the aerospace and defence industries." Having been roundly criticised for BAe's poor performance be is now getting plaudits for turning it around. Other knights include Sir David Barnes CBE, chief ex-ecutive of Zeneca Group, "for services to the pharmaceuticals industry", and Sir William Brown CBE, former chairman of the Scottish Arts Council and of Scottish Television, "for services to the arts and to broadcasting. Sir Leonard Chaistrey, Lord Mayor of London, also gets a knighthood for services to the City. A leading surgeon, Sir Leonard has spent

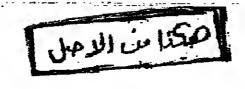
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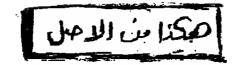
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A sudden moment of triumph for the SIB

It looks like a case of egg on face for the London Metal Exchange and a "well done" pat on the back for the Securities and Investments Board. The LME could hardly have been more unfortunate in the timing of its announcement that all was well in the turbulent copper market. Within hours, Sumitomo had confessed to the world the activities of its home-grown rogue trader Yasuo Hamanaka, The LME's ignorance of Mr Hamanaka's antics might seem bad enough; to make matters worse, it was another British regulator, the SIB, which uncovered the mischief. How could the LME, one of the world's premier metal mar-

kets, have been so asleep at the wheel?
To he fair on the LME, it appears to be the case that it is both powerless to act over and ignorant of much of what goes on in the London copper market. A substantial part of futures and physical market activity in copper takes place over the counter, protessional-to-professional (or not so professional as the case may be). Since such activity is outside the LME's sphere of influence, it is also unsupervised and unregulated. When rumours first surfaced about possible manipulation of the market towards the end of last year, the LME was forced to seek the assistence of the SIB, with its wider powers of investigation among those outside the regulatory net. Sumitomo, despite extensive trading through the LME, is not a member of the Exchange, nor does it come within the ambit of any other UK regulatory authority.

that it was the SIB that alerted Sumitomo to a potential problem. Mr Hamanaka himself was another Nick Leeson, albeit a cleverer, more high powered and more persistent one. To cover up losses, Mr Hamanaka was forced to take ever larger positions, digging himself ever deeper into the mire as he tried to gamble his way out of it. Mr Hamanaka was what is known in Japan as a bucho. This is a very privileged and senior position in Japanese business and it helps to explain why he was able to get away with it for so long. His superiors would have had total trust in what he did. His trades would have been accepted without question and he would have been almost completely unsupervised

Like Daiwa, Barings and Kidder Peabody before it, then, this seems to have been another case of inadequate internal banking controls rather than a failure of outside regulation. Indeed, the SIB has rather managed to turn the whole episode into some thing of a triumph for the UK regulatory sys tem. Leaving aside the little matter of the LME's embarrassment, the SIB was both diligent and effective in pursuing allegations of manipulation in the copper market. And it eventually found out who was responsible. Furthermore, Japan now moves hrisquely ahead in the score card of financial scandals London as a financial centre is boosted be seen. If the Sumitomo affair follows precedent, it seems certain that there would be a UK conduit for his trades. The possibility of collusion cannot be ruled out. There is perhaps still time for the LME to

Airbus begins a painful and necessary process

here are not many examples of success-I ful pan-European co-operation these days, but Airbus is one of them. Scarcely noticed, this consortium of British, French, German and Spanish aerospace companies has grown to be getting on for the largest single enterprise in Europe. Most of its aircraft are superior to those of its chief rival, Boeing, and from a standing start it has managed to carve itself out a formidable position in world markets. But there is one important gap in its armoury: it doesn't have anything to compare with Boeing's jumbo. Boeing's monopoly position in this market enables it to cross-subsidise into the rest of its range, giving it a very considerable competitive advantage over its European counterpart.
Airbus wants to change that. These plans don't come cheap, however. Development of the A3XX, Europe's answer to the

jumbo, is going to cost \$10bn or more. Only

partners - including, heresy of heresies, perhaps those from outside Europe.

Which is why Airbus must soon begin the slow and painful process of incorporation. What makes this doubly tortuous is that the British Aerospace part of Airbus is a good sight more profitable than the French and German parts. On Anglo-Saxon measures, therefore, it should be worth a good deal more. Unfortunately the profitability of the various parts doesn't tally with the present structure of ownership. The French and Germans have nearly 38 per cent apiece, with

BAe at only 20 per cent.

It can readily be seen that this is not going to be an easy negotiation. The French, even more than the Germans, do not believe short-term profitability is any guide to value or worth. The fact that Aerospatiale makes big losses on its Airbus interests is not regarded by the French as relevant. Plainly, there is a hig conceptual gulf here. With the potential opportunities and rewards so great, however, it is one that deserves to be

Gas dispute goes to the last resort

With much fanfare, British Gas yesterday launched its counter-attack against

The full story of how the SIB found out accordingly. Whether regulators and invesabout Mr Hamanaka's activities has yet to be told, but it certainly seems to be the case and of Mr Hamanaka's activities remains to be told, but it certainly seems to be the case and of Mr Hamanaka's activities remains to be told. The rest is going to have to come from the industry regulator, Ofgas. For us capital markets and or, bringing in other mortals, it is hard to know whom to believe. British Gas or Ofgas. The venom of British Gas's response would perhaps suggest that the regulator has indeed been too harsh. Certainly few would disagree with its comments on the arbitrary, personalised and unaccountable nature of regulatory decision. making. The system is a disgrace and the sooner it is reformed the better. But equally, the cries of pain emanating

business

from British Gas could be no more than from British Gas could be no more than bluster. It may well be that the regulator is getting the balance between customer and shareholder interest about right. With no sign of the gap between the two sides closing, the whole thing must inevitably end up before the Munopolies and Mergers Commission. The two sides are so far apart that the weight as well be on different planets. they might as well be on different planets. On virtually every issue, from the size of the allowed depreciation charge through the supposed scope for effeciency gains, they are divided. Even on the matter of how British divided. Even on the matter of how British Gas has performed as an investment, which you would have thought a matter of record, they cannot agree. An MMC inquiry will absorb huge amounts of British Gas's time and energy, but none the less it seems the most appropriate way if resolving the row. most appropriate way uf resolving the row. Discredited though the MMC might be, it is the only court of last resort we have in these matters. Hopefully it will reach a conclusion we can all have confidence in.

Newsprint costs flatten profits at Portsmouth

MATHEW HORSMAN Media Editor

High newsprint costs, an extensive capital investment pro-gramme and the loss of national newspaper printing contracts have flattened profits at Portsmouth and Sunderland Newspapers, the publishing and convenience shop company.

Pre-tax profits before extra-

ordinary items were down marginally at £9m for the year ending 30 March, from £9.3m last year, reflecting what the company called "difficult trading conditions". The shares lost 15p to close last night at 690p. The company declared a final dividend of 9.01p, for a total of 2.87p on the year, 10 per cent more than last time.

Charles Brims, chief execu-tive, said the results were in line with expectations, but conceded that the loss of the contract to print the Daily Mail and the Mail on Sunday had been a

disappointment. He added, how company aimed to sign up a from core newspaper publishing and printing, developing a once new presses at Hartlepool and Sunderland were opera- One Stop Community Stores tional. "These will be state-of-

capital projects in the year, with a similar amount budgeted in fiscal 1997. The flat profits in the financial year were offset by a £10m exceptional gain on the sale of the Croydon Advertiser, sold to Southern News late last year. Mr Brims said the sale would allow the company to consider making acquisitions elsewhere in the UK, where the regional newspaper market is undergoing a period of rapid consolidation.

"Two years ago, we thought the situation in the regional market was relatively stable, and didn't expect opportunities to expand," Mr Brims said. "We are now looking at possibilities, and the sale of the Croydon Advertiser Group gives us the means to do so.

Difficult trading conditions in the newspaper market are ex-pected to be offset in the future by supplying services to the electronic media, including audiotext, cable television and the Internet.

P&S has div ing and printing, developing a chain of convenience shops. underwent rapid expansion in the art kit and of very high quality," Mr Brims said.
The company spent £23m high proportion of new shops .. on the new presses and other would mean lower revenues.

IN BRIEF

• Somerfield, the supermarkets group owned by the heavily indehted Isosceles, will float next month with a value of around £500m. One in five of the shares will be marketed to private investors are short about 1500m. vestors via share shops nationwide.

David Simmons, the chief executive, is widely credited with hauling the group back from the brink since 1993, and he says a float is essential to provide Somerfield with sufficient capital for its store-opening programme.

 National Westminster Bank said it had completed the sale of its 17.7 per cent shareholding in 3i Group, the venture capital company, for £464m. NatWest, which announced its intention to make the sale earlier this month, said the shares were mainly placed with institutional investors.

Peter Black, the footwear firm, is closing Newbold, its UK ladies formal footwear business employing 400 staff, at a cost of £6m. The company said Newbold's trading position was not viable and internal forecasts had indicated significant future losses. Despite the closure, due hefore 31 October, it expects year-to-June results in line with market estimates.

Ynrkshire Electricity plans to return further value to share-holders "at some later stage", its chief executive Malcolm Chatwin said. He was speaking as the company reported pre-tax profits, including a £20m contribution from the National Grid, of £219m, up from £217m last time. Noting that Yorkshire Electricity had already paid out more than £360m to shareholders in the form of two special dividends. Mr Chatwin hinted that fur-ther payouts were on the cards as the company's balance sheet remained strong.

 The Personal Investment Anthority, the financial services regulator, said that it would peg its 1996-97 membership fees at the same levels as last year after its annual accounts showed a surplus of £1.06m on income of almost £50m.

 Up to a million jobs are at risk in the car industry in Europe during the next 10 years due to expected cost-cutting in distrib-ution, a report by KPMG Management Consulting said. The posts will go mostly in car retailing, which accounts for about a third

• Ian Byatt, director-general of Ofwat, the UK water regulator, has asked water companies to submit water efficiency plans to him before October as part of enforcing their statutory duty to promote efficient water use.

 The Department of Trade and Industry has awarded licences to operate Europe-wide paging services in the UK to seven operators, including British Telecom, the Cable & Wireless subsidiary Mercury Communications, Vodafone and four others.

 BPB Industries will pay Matte Group £37m to acquire joint control in El Volcan, a Chilean gypsum company, in which Matte has a 53 per cent stake.

Sainsbury's share of the UK grocery market was incorrectly stated in yesterday's paper. The AGB figures for the four weeks to 2 June show that Sainsbury's share was 18.6 per cent not 16.6

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There have been some encouraging high street statistics recently but it was a more down to earth report, from a leading retailer, that fuelled the latest interest.

The John Lewis partnership, which runs department stores and the Waitrose supermarket chain, said its latest weekly numbers showed department store sales up 21.4 per cent with Waitrose achieving a 21.2 per cent advance. The recent interest rate cut and hopes of another within a

Whether the feel-good factor has filtered through to the high street may still be a subject for debate hut there is growing evidence retailers are feeling much better in the few weeks and an upbeat Confederation of British Industry retail report have also offered evidence the high street revival may have more substance than carlier flurries.

Marks & Spencer was another riding at a high, up 11.5p to 486p; Kingfisher rose 13p to 640p and Argos 10p to 767p.

The rest of the market was inclined to dilly and dally with the turmoil in the metal market creating anxiety, although the ghost of Nick Leeson is unlikely to have much direct in-

fluence on shares.

However, some are in the firing line. RTZ, the mining group which has felt the vibrations of the volatile copper price, was little changed at 973p but Delta, citing the copper price as a factor, warned half-year profits would be "appreciably below" the £29m m last year's second half. It is taking a £3m hit from the fall in copper prices.

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DEREK PAIN
Stock market reporter
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With year's forecasts slashed
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from £74m to £60m - the
shares fell 33p to 360p.

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Worries about the Russian election was an inhibiting influence and the latest outhreak of hostilities among the Tories also dampened sentiment. Siebe, the engineer, edged ahead 4p to 888p. It is hosting an analysts' presentation at its Foxboro plant in the US next week with about 40 researchers US expected.

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searchers US expected.
Vickers put on 7p to 260p following its dockland investment presentation late on Thursday. The medical division appears buoyant and Rolls-Royce cars achieved better-

than-forecast first-half sales. Cookson, the industrial materials group, remained under pressure following profit downgradings, falling a further 12n to 295n.

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The National Westminster
Bank's sale of its 17.7 per cent
shareholding in 3i, the investment group, went smoothly
with the shares going out,
mainly to institutions, at 445p,
a little higher than expected.
The sale raised £464m for
NatWest, still cash-rich despite recent expansion such as
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Manchester Utd gained op
to 465p. Martin Edwards, chief
executive, has sold another

hlock of shares, 2.23 million, at 450p and a children's settlement has unloaded 1.5 million at the same price. The sales, representing 6 per cent of the football club's capital, reduce the Edwards holding to 17.16 per cent. Mr Edwards has undertaken not to dispose of any more shares for a year. In April he lightened the Edwards family interests, raising its

fA.4m through share sales. He has pulled in more than £20m through the two disposals.

Capital Radio shaded 3p to 679p as French group Havas placed 13.8 million shares (19 per cent) at 675p with institutions. Real Time Control, the computer group, had another difficult session, falling 19p to 1940.

Newcomer Theo Fennell, a jeweller, showed a little sparkle, ending at 123p against a 118p placing; the price touched 137.5p.

Renewed talk of a positive

drugs announcement lifted ML Laboratories 14p to 448p but British Biotech slipped 52p to 2,698p.

The surprise departure of its chief executive left Bakyrchik
21p lower at 464p.

Magnum Power, which has

developed an uninterruptible power supply unit for computers, fell 9p to 94p; there was talk a touchy relationship had developed between the company and its stockbroker, Henry Cooke Lumsden.

MAID, the on-line infor-

mation group, improved 7p to 320p, after 329p. In the past week it has attracted a round of analytical support with Merrill Lynch describing the company as "one of the best internet plays on the market".

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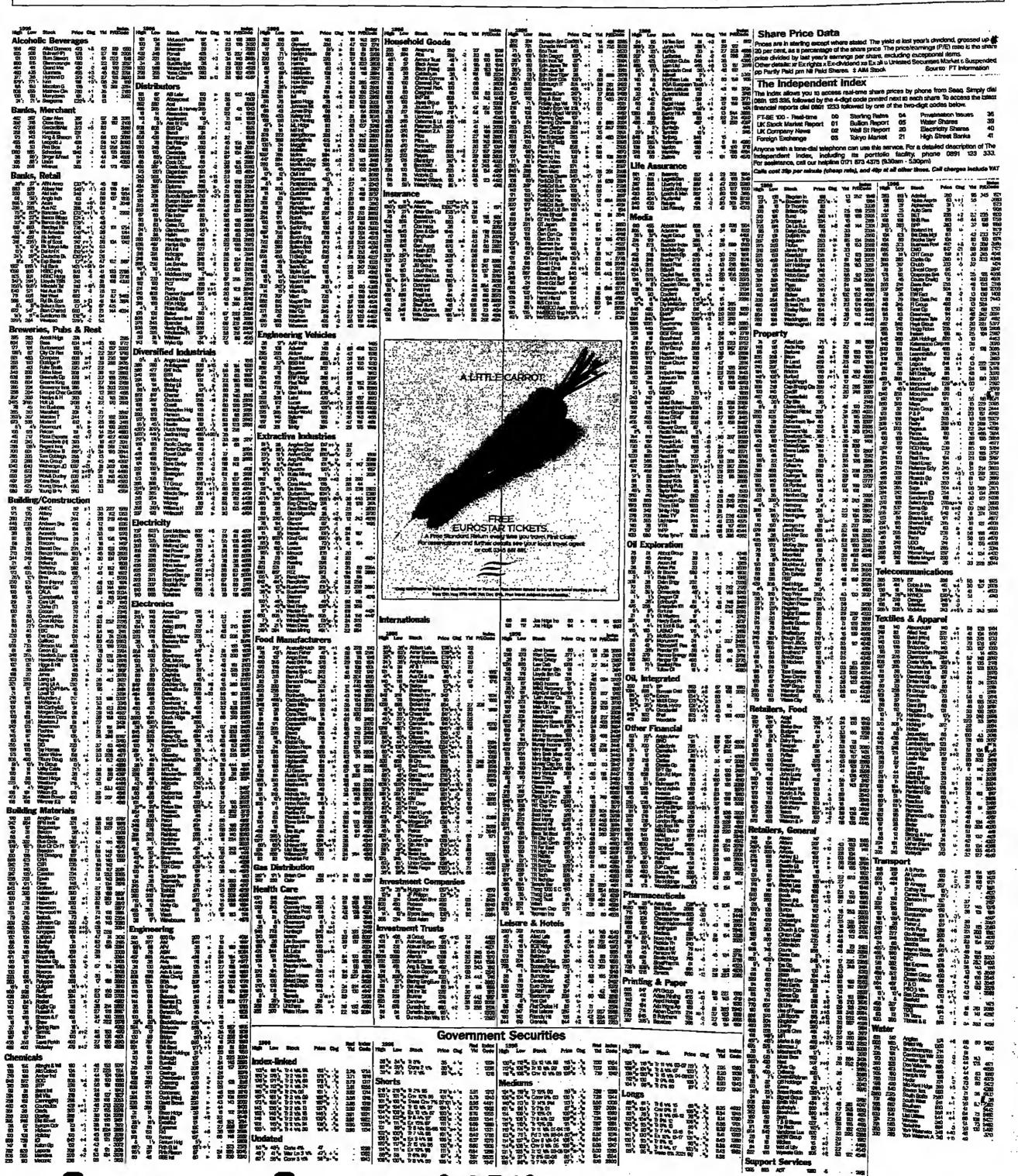
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Williams de Broe has also produced a buy recommendation and two US houses, Bear Stearns and Van Kasper, made positive noises. The shares floated at 110p two years ago.

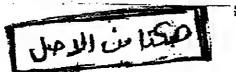
Inoco, once an all business and now a property operation, could soon disappear from the stock market. Chairman and controlling shareholder David Rowland, who was sumething of a whizz-kid in the 1960s, is thought to be thinking of making an affer to the rainority shareholders. The shares

added 2p to 13.5p.

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World Fluids, which has had a depressing run, could soon get a much needed lift. The Irish company, little more than a shell, is hoping to acquire Peterhead Crane Co, a crane bire operation, and International Cranes & Equipment, a plant trading company. Peterhead, under chief executive Roger Taylor, has become a powerful force in the crane hire and offshore oil services in North East Scotland, World Fluid shares are 5.25p.





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Harris falls back into old habits

Athletics

While two American Olympic greats are setting out on the gold trail one more time, another falleo Olympic hero is again in

While Carl Lewis and Jackie Joyner-Kersee prepared for the United States track and field trials in Atlanta this weekeod, hurdler Danny Harris dropped out of the meet, announcing he had relapsed into cocaine use.

Harris, the 1984 silver medal-ist in the 400 metres hurdles and a favourite to capture a spot in the Olympic team this year, said he failed a drug test last month after winning a grand prix race in Brazil in 48.08 seconds - the

fastest time in the world this year. Harris, who missed the 1992 Games while serving a two-year suspension for cocaine use, said in a written statement: "I accept full responsibility for my actions. It is my intection, whether I am or am not able to compete again in the future, to meet this problem head on."

Lewis, trying to become the first male American track and field athlete to make a fifth Olympic team, said news of Harris' relapse "feels like a

punch in the stomach." "He's a good man, and that's what we oeed to save," Lewis

said. "The career is secondary."

Seventeen days shy of his 35th hirthday, Lewis is calm as he approaches the event that four years ago seemed to signal the end of his Olympic sprinting career.

Athletes must finish in the top three at the US trials to qualify for the Olympics, except in the relay events. Lewis, who has eight Olympic golds, failed to make the 100m or 200m in

He made the squad as a long jumper, and won that eveot aloog with a relay title in

After showing flashes of his old speed this spring, though, he is again a top contender in the 100m and 200m - as well as the long jump. "I've run well this spring and I know I can run well enough to make the team. I go into this meet pretty relaxed, he said. "The whole season is set up for this meet."

Joyner-Kersee, who has woo the past two Olympic hep-tathlons, is again the favorite this summer. Despite nagging injuries the past two years, she is clearly the best American in the event and should have llt-

the trouble qualifying.
"My nltimate goal," said
Joyner-Kersee, who also has a gold medal in the long jump, "is to make the 1996 Olympic team and to finish my career oo American soil."

A major concern of US officials was alleviated Thursday when the sport's world governing body said it will not disqualify athletes who compete against people fighting drug suspensions at the trials.

Heptathlete Gea Johnson and as many as eight other athletes currently under drug suspensions could seek temporary restraining orders allowing them to compete in the trials, which last until 23 June.

The International Amateur Athletic Federation threatened to disqualify athletes that competed against anyone such as Johnson, saying they would be "contaminated" by competing against her.

Such a scenario would have made it virtually impossible to hold US Olympic trials in such events, because anyone trying to make the Olympic squad would



immediately be disqualified from the Olympics and other races by competing against a drug-suspended athlete.

Meanwhile Matthew Yates, Britain's former leading 1,500m runner, was today forced to pull out of this weekend's Olympic trials in Birmingham with a

hamstring injury. But the 27year-old Belgrave Harrier pleaded with the selectors to give him more time to make the Atlanta team

With the first two past the post qualifying for the Games, Yates, a former Commonwealth bronze medallist, was left hoping he would be invited to take the third spot. "The injury will

"I hope the selectors can see I am on my way back to being Britain's best middle-distance

not take too much time to heal and I should be back in light training on Sunday," he said.

Oakes is that she has enjoyed more comebacks than Frank

Resurgent Oakes. still going strong

Judy Oakes may yet have the last laugh. Treated as something of a joke for the majority of her long career as the leading British woman shot putter in the Brobdignagian era of "performance enhancing". Oakes has emerged Sinatra, often with as little relatively unscathed as a congrace, given her propensity to

tender at the highest level. When the best in the world were regularly throwing 22 metres, lagging three metres down usually qualified her as an af-terthought when team places were being handed out for major championships, but that has oot prevented her from be-coming Britain's most "capped" woman athlete, with 73 appearances. With a tightening of drug legislation, and the dissolution of state-controlled sport on the Eastern frontiers of Europe, the world's best are currently dropping around the 20m line. So her consistent 19m putts have shot her well up the ranking lists.

Her competitive edge has never been in doubt, as anyone will testify who has witnessed her pugnacious pirouette in the shot circle, or the aggression she brought to winning weight-lift-ing world titles in the mid-1980s. So when she went into the European Cup Final in Madrid two weeks ago as No 5 on paper, and emerged with the silver medal, it was not the shock that it

would have been a decade ago. One of the women she beat in Madrid, Svetlana Krivelyova is the reigning Olympic champ-ion; which does out automatically presage an Olympic medal chance for Oakes, but it is oot ontlandish to suggest it. The penultimate step on the road to the centenary celebration in Atlanta oext month is the British Olympic Trials in Birmngham this weekend.

Winding down this week, Oakes ruminated on retirement, drugs, uncaring administrations, and the tribulations of being a working girl in a so-called professional era.

A common perception of

Pat Butcher on

the Olympic aims of Britain's leading woman shot putter

hurl harsh words at a "runningoriented" British federation as violently as she chucks the shot. She went on strike in 1988 at the poor pay she got. She retired shortly afterwards

for a couple of years, before being tempted back by long-time



coach and admirer, Mike Winch "We can see what she's really worth, now that everyone else

has come back to reality." he said. Yet, even now, she still has to work full-time, and is discouraged, even despite the re-cent administrative changes, that more notice is not being taken of the former Cinderellas. Neither Oakes, oor Ashia

Hansen, who went one better and woo the European Cup triple jump, has a contract with the British federation. "It's a case of: 'If we put on your event in one of our promotions, we'll invite you. If not, too bad' - I can't afford to take four days off every time I compete abroad," Oakes said. "I only went to Madrid, because Malcolm Arnold (the new national coaching chief] is trying to do something for us. The administration isn't."

Given that she could claim to have forfeited a successful career to the drug takers, she seems remarkably ambivalent about it, saying: "Unless some one tests positive, you can't honestly say anything about them, it would be unfair. I've been accused, and I know what it's bke."

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On the other hand, when somebody has not only been positively tested twice, and admitted under oath that she took drugs, but deprived Oakes of an Olympic broaze medal, then she can be as tenacious as her vocation demands. The woman in question is Gael Martin, formerly Mulhall, the Australian who beat Oakes ioto fourth place in the Los Angeles Olympics, and deprived her of the Commonwealth title in Edinburgh two years later. Martin later admitted to the Black Commission, the Australian federal enquiry into sports drug abuse, that she had consistently taken drugs throughous aer career, even to a testosterone boost two weeks before LA.

Sir Eddie Kulukundis, who acts as guardian to scores of Britain's less well-off athletes. wrote an article for. Athletics Tixdoy suggesting that, in view of Martin's admissions and the crasure of Ben Johnson from the record books, Oakes he given her rightful medals.

Oakes is still waiting, after six years and dozens of letters to the International Olympic Committee. The Princess Royal even interceded on her behalf, as did Prince Edward and John Major - to oo avail. "I never even got a reply to my last letter," she said.

Given that Oakes is as far ahead of her British rivals as she used to be behind the world's best, the Olympic trials (the shot is tomorrow) should be little more than a formality. Then comes, as she puts it: "the serious stuff - I'm looking to make the [Olympic] final, By then, I'd be expecting mid to high 19s. and you've got to be in with a shout with that. And, like Madrid, anything can happen."

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League defends **Oceania Cup ruling**

Rugby League

The Rugby Foothall League yesterday hit back at criticism row after being suspended for of their decision to order clubs one game and fined £150 by the to release South Pacific born players for next month's Occania Cup.

Two Super League clubs, Halifax and Wigan, led the protests when the RFL Board of Directors unanimously agreed to support the new competition. The RFL media manager, Paul Harrison, said: "Clubs are quite happy to take these players from other Super League countries, but does that mean the players have to abandon their international aspiratioos? We recently heard from Wigan's Va'aiga Tuigamala that he would be proud to lead Western Samoa in the

Oceania Cup.
"Super League is an ioternational sport and both Wigan chairman Jack Robinson and Halifax Chief executive Nigel Wood must realise that it exists outside Wigan and Halifax. The Oceania Cup is recognised by the Super League Internation-

Oldham's utility forward Matthew Muuro is out of their Super League meeting with Wigan at Ceotral Park tomor-Rugby Football League's disciplinary committee.

Munro was referred to the disciplinary committee by the League's executive committee after they viewed a video recording of Oldham's home win over Warrington last Sunday. Munro was charged with de-

liberately swinging his arm at the head of an opponent in an incideot which resulted in the Warringtoo winger, Mark Forster, being carried off oo a

Three players have been sus-peoded following last week's Second Divisioo game between Bramley and York. The Bramley pair, Kenny Hill and Gleo Freeman, collected respective two and three-match bans while York's Rich Hayes was suspeoded for two games.

Other players receiving bans were Gary Rose (Dewsbury) for one game and Wayne Mac-Donald (Wakefield) and Andy

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Paris aim to halt slide

Super League fixtures set off down the home straight this weekend, with Paris St-Germain now in a very different mood from the bright optimism with which they greeted the season, writes Dave Hadfield.

It is only two and a half mooths since Paris began their campaign by beating Sheffield Eagles. The return fixture today finds them in disarray, with the bottom of the table, demotion and extinction all beckoning.

There are playing reinforcements oo their way, hut a more significant move could be the appointment of John Kear to knock them into shape. The consolation for Paris is that Workington, the one side below them in the table, are unlikely to make any headway tomorrow. They are at the league lead-

ers, St Helens, for whom Bobbie Goulding hopes to return in the last match before cext Friday's encounter with Wigan.

LINGFIELD 6.00 Northern Grey 6.30 Perilous Plight 7.00 Duel At Dawn 7.30 Ivor's Deed 8.00 Bentico 8.30 Mighty Phantom .

GOING: Turf course - Prim (watering); Equitrack - standard,
STALLS: Turf: straight course - centre, Im 2f · inside;
Equitrack: Im - outside, 2m - inside.
DRAW ADVANTAGE: Turf - tigh 6f so 7f 140yds;
Equitrack - low in spicios.

If Turf & Equitrack - Left-band, sharp undusting course.
Course is SE of town on B2028. Lingüeld railway station (served by London, Victoria) adjulus course. ADMISSION: Members 313, Tattersalis 59; Silver Ring 55, CAR PARK: Club 53; remainder free. SIS

SLINKERS PIEST TIME: Ewar Imperial (8.30). MINNESS IN THE LAST SEVER DATE: None.

LONG-DESTANCE BURNERS: Makeons (0.00) has been sent 270 index by S Kettlewell from Middlefam, North Yorkshire; Daily Elsis (8.30) sent 248 mins by D Chapman from Sillington, N Yorks; Sherza (6.30) sent 243 miles by N Thilder from Langton, N Yorks; Sherza (6.30) sent 243 miles by Mr Nn Mercules; 153 miles by Mrs N Mercules; 1700 sent 1700 sillington; N Yorks; Silly Smooth (7.00) & Beaction (8.00) sent 133 miles by Mrs N Mercules; 1700 sillington; N Yorks; Macsuley from Sprozzoa, Letus; Almapa (8.00) sent 137 miles by R Hodges from Charleon Adam, Somewet.

6.00 RETRIEVER SELLING HANDICAP (CLASS G) £3,000 added 7f 100553 ROCKMILE PRIC (17) (0) John Bony 496 ... M Western (2) 17 V
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6.30 UNION FREIGHT FORWARDING LIMITED STAKES (CLASS F) £3,450 1m (AW) 7.00 UNION TRANSPORT GROUP MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS D) £5,100 added of OF RESERVE PROPERTY (21) M Polyses 49 6.... W Hullick 9
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HYPERION 8.45 Lionel Edwards 7.15 Hangover Square 7.45 TALIFAN'S MELODY (nap) 8,15 Taome 8,45 Place De L'Opera 9.15 Faraway Lass GOING: Good (Good to Pirm in places). STALLE: Inside, DEAW ADVANTAGE: None. Eight-hand, medutating course, with a scraight suite. E course is Zm SE of city of AS, Leicester station 2m. ADMISSION: Clob E 12; Tatternalle SS; Silver Bing S4, CAR PAKE. Pros. Silver Ring Car Park - E 13 admits car and four occupants.

WINDERS IN THE LAST SEVEN DAYS: Almant (9, 15) wun at Doucaster on Sammley; Warriara (9, 15) won at Wolverhampton on Saturday; Pestic Point (9, 15) won at Windsor on Monday, LONG-DUSTANCE EUROBERS: TRADER'S Melody (7, 45) has been sent 162 miles by Lady Herries from Augmering Park, W Supers; Goodwood Rocket (6,45) & Camp Pollower (8,45) sent 149 miles by J Dunlop from Arundel, W Sussex. 6:45 SPORTING GREEN HANDICAP (CLASS D) £5,100 added 3YO 7f

- 10 decimed -BETTING: 3-1 Provence Crosping, 7-2 United Edwards, 4-1 Marietim, 9-2 Snow Falcon, 8-1 Goodwood Rocket, 10-1 School Boy, 14-1 others

7.15 MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS F) £3,450 added 270 5f [CLASS P) 2-3,4704 REQUEU 2

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EVENING RACING RESULTS Theatre (Ray Cochrane) all take Lindsay Charnock was yes-

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Strategic Choice (to be rid-den by Richard Quinn), Luso defen (Michael Kinane) and King's Italy.

their chance in the four-runner Group One Gran Premio di Milano over 12 furlongs in Milan oo Sunday.The home-trained Pay Me Back (Luca Sorrentino) looks to have only an outside chance and the extent of his ambitions is to pick up the fourth prize-money and the breeders' premium. The race appears to lie between Paul Cole's Irish St Leger winner, Strategic Choice, and Clive Brittain's Luso, who defends a 100 per cent record in

terday handed a seven-day ban for his Pootefract fracas with Nicky Carlisle. Charnock appeared to lose his temper when a horse was unseated in a rough race for a selling race on Monday. At an inquiry held yesterday, the stewards found him guilty of improper riding in that he intentionally aimed a hlow at Carlisle with his whip. Charnock was involved in scrimmaging on the home turn and his mount had almost been brought down by Carlisle's mount, Kadari.

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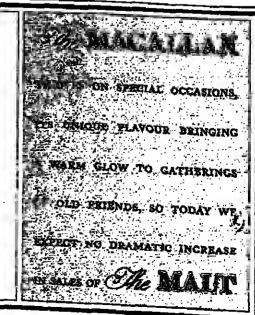
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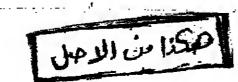
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Boing strong Dettori is out for the summer out for the

bad news yesterday. Daryll Hol-land's lost his appeal against the Hong Kong Jockey Club's re-fusal to renew his riding licence, and for the moment his career in the colorate and the state of the sta

in the colony is over. Gerard

nion Hurdle for Bailey at the

Dettori's misfortune will

overshadow today's racing,

which is lacklustre in any case.

The Derby finished a hopeless

second to football seveo days.

ago, and in the face of a bigger

attraction at Wembley today, the

turf seems, perhaps wisely, to have given up the struggle.
All three of York's televised

races are desperately tight hand-

icaps, none more so than the 23-

runner opener. There appears to be plenty of pace against the far rail, though, where Daawe should carry them along and set

the race up for Plum First

(1.45). He had a troubled run at

Catterick last time, but still ran his best race of the year in the

blinkers which remain in place.

who made all at Pontefract last

time, gives backers their best

chance of a return in the next,

but the day's richest event, the

William Hill Trophy, matches

the opener for impenetrability.

However, it may be that Mick

Easterby has managed to slip

Blessingindisguise (next best 2.45) in on a generous mark.
Honours for Jack Berry and
John Dunlop, page 9.

SKILLINGTON (nap 2.15),

1995 Cheltenham Festival.

Racing GREG WOOD

Lanfranco Dettori, the champion jockey, may oot ride for several months following an operation yesterday on his left elbow, broken in a fall at Newbury on Thursday. He will miss oot just oext week's Royal Ascot meeting, but probably all the high-summer showpieces, and his chance of retaining his championship is slim, at best.

Dettori was injured when the filly Shawanni threw him in the paddock. The broken bones in his elbow were wired together in an operation yesterday from which Dettori emerged uncon-scious, hut comfortable.

"His spirit's all right but he's "His spirit's an right out ime, you can't come back from that in a hurry," John Gosden, Det-tori's main employer, said yes-terday. Dr Michael Turner, the Jockey Club's chief medical adviser, said: "It is always difficult to tell how long these injuries will take to heal without seeing the X-rays, but we usu-ally expect the bone to heal in eight to 12 weeks. It seems a very similar injury to the one sustained by Adrian Maguire, but Frankie should be able to move the elbow and keep fit."

On the basis of Dr Turner's most optimistic estimate, Dettori will miss Newmarket's July meeting and Glorious Goodwood. Any longer oo the sidelines, and York's Ebor meeting would also pass him by. Since most top jockeys would expect to ride hoth afternooo and evening during this time, he will also miss dozens of humdrum assignments which form the foundation of a title challenge.

The bookies refused to bet on the Flat championship at the start of the season, in the belief that Dettori could not be beaten. After a slow start, though, the Hallan was sun at behind Jason Weaver, who had ridden 71 before racing yesterday, and both Weaver and Pat Eddery (66 wins) have everychance of being champion. Two more riders received

> YORK. 1.45: DAAWE, who showed improved form to beat Perfect Brave by a head in a five-furlongs hand-icap on the Southwell Fibresand following a creditable two-lengths fourth to Benzoe over today's trip at Thirsk on turf, is in great heart. Don Pepe, a half-length second to Sea-Deer at Yarmouth on Thursday, may be the main threat. Plum First should also go well.

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2.15: EXPENSIVE TASTE, who beat Lear Jet by a length over this trip on similar ground at Lingfield, looks a progressive sort and may fol-low up. Skillington may prove the biggest danger.



2.45: DASHING BLUE, who may have been ill-suited by the yielding ground when 51/2-lengths third to Parhana at Haydock last time, had inpuressed when bearing Cross The Border by 13/4 tengths over Sandown's stiff five furlougs oo faster ground and is a course-anddistance winner. The leniently handicapped React is the danger.

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YORK 1.45 Daawe 2.15 Expensive Taste 4.25 Carlito Brigante 2.45 Deshing Blue 3.20 Make A Stand 4.55 Verkling GOING: Good (watering) STALLS: 61-71 - stands side; round course - inside rail. RAW ADVANTAGE: Non DRAW ADVANTAGE: None. II Left-hand U-shiped course. Flat and ideal for the powerful galloper. Rececuse is Im S of city on A1036. York station Im. ADMIRSHON; County Stand 522 (16-25 year-olds £13); Tanexalls £12; Silver Ring £5 (OAPs £2.50); Course Enciosure £3 (OAPs £1.50). CAR PARE: 52, remainder free.

ELEADING TRAINERS WITH EUNNERS: H Cocil—25 winners from 85 roaners gives a success ratio of 25.3% and a loss to a \$1 lovel stake of \$12.46; M Stoute — 23 winners, 123 miners, 123 miners, 124 miners, 125 miners, 125.7%, +\$9.55; P Cole — 15 winners, 79 runners, 20.3%, +\$1.46. II LEADING JOCKETS: L Dettor!—39 winners, 172 rides, 22.7%, +\$4.51.08; Pat Eddery—39 winners, 177 rides, 19.3%, -\$2.26; W Carson—31 winners, 203 tides, 15.3%, -\$34.32; J Reid — 18 winners, 153 rides, 11.8%, -\$48.71. BLOURERED FURST TIME: Trancy (2.15). WINNERS IN THE LAST SEVEN DATE: Name. LONG-DESTANCE EUNORESS: Make A Stand (3.20) sent 271 miles from M Pipe's Nicholastayue stable in Devon.

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| Mosse lost an appeal against a riding ban, and will miss the ride on Ashkalani in Tuesday's St James's Palace Stakes. Michael Kinane will take his place. Norman Williamson is another jockey with uncertainty in his life. Williamson has announced that be is to end his association with Kim Bailey in order to ride freelance in the forthcoming jumps season. Williamson completed the double of the Gold Cup and Cham- | 1.45 MICHAEL SOBELL SILVER TANKARD HANDICAP (CLASS D) £10,000 6f Pennity Value £7,523 1.40,000 BREDOWEL LAD (til) (D) (BP) (3 Horse Shoot) May 5 Holf 4 to 0 Femilion (7) 7 1 080,000 38A (MINDER (7) (D) (Greenfald Stud) 1 Binting 4 to 0 To juin 1 1 00,000 38A (MINDER (7) (D) (Greenfald Stud) 1 Binting 4 to 0 To juin 1 1 00,000 38A (MINDER (8) (S) Benity Many 1 9 Binton 5 9 13 J Forthard 5 403,000 BLUE BORRER (8) (S) Benity Many 1 9 Binton 5 9 13 J Forthard 5 0.2534 MINDER (8) (S) (B) (B) (R) Rictian's Man L Persit 4 8 B. J Venner 1 3 1 7 120215 CHADRELL (MIL (8) (D) (D) H Bowring 1 5 R Rowing 5 8 5 C Freque (3) 3 8 0 16202 CHEAR MFT (7) (D) (R A M RECOLUME LID) H Boy 3 9 6 P Review (5) 3 1 10 0-06020 AMBON (8) (D) (M Clair Doutroil J Boy 3 9 6 P Review (5) 3 1 1 403048 PLUE FREST (4) (D) (MF) U B Stacked L Loy-Lamos 5 8 5 D Newforts (5) 11 1 403048 PLUE FREST (4) (D) (MF) U B Stacked L Loy-Lamos 5 8 5 D Newforts (7) 11 12 102441 DAMME (504) Lilly (D) Mind Indical Mindrood Mey 7 Access 5 4 M Deerfie 2 13 500,000 MISTS BORRAMAN (12) (9) (MS) Andrew M Malfrood Mey 7 Access 5 4 Put Endoy 6 1 14 00-0008 MISTS BORRAMAN (12) (9) (MS) MIND MIND SER 3 Put Endoy 6 1 10 0-06220 OCHAS MOS (14) (D) (MR) (MR) (MR) (MR) (MR) (MR) (MR) (MR |
| RICHARD EDMONDSON NAP: Passage Creeping (Leicester 6.45) NB: Ya Malak (Sandown 4.35) | 22 000002 AQUADO (8) (87) (Nichols) 5 9 Bowing 7 9 0 |
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iquado, 14-1 others 1990: Al Wigad 4 8 9 J Faming 12-1 (T Dyer) 10 ran

ASSROW M without a win for over two years and when he does click it is usually at Doncaster. However, he looks to be back in good heart after being pipped by Palo Bismoo at Ayr and never readily got the run of the time behind High Domehin at Heybock nest time. Palo Bismoo went close against Almaid last Soturday so there is nothing wrong with the form. Mister Westbound, a short-head behind Amrun at Ayr, halls from a stable that is firing in the winner but it amonds leave that write create salar last him the atlast. Grand Classess shaped ners, but Ammor's lower draw motey may again give him the edge. Grand Chapeans shapes well in shith at Ayr on his first start for David Nicholis. He is 21b better with Ayron and was a Windsor winner fast term for Richard Hennon. Chadwell Half is a tough customer who

| 10 | 2.15 | DANIEL PRENN RATED H'CAP (CLASS B) £15,000 added 3YO 1m 2f 85yds Penalty Value £9,251 | |
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| 3 | | EXPENSIVE TASTE (LA) (D) (Mohameo Subal) M Stoute 8 11 | D Harrison & |
| 14 | | THE DILETTANTI (USA) (15) (Duse of Devorshoe) J Toler 8 11 | |
| 1 5 | | SKILLINGTON (USA) (11) (D) (George Stranbridge Balding 8 11 | |
| 6 | | MORE THAN YOU KNOW (12) (Bob Latement) 9 Hannon 8 11 | |
| 7 | | | Weaver 5 |
| 18 | | EXACTED (7) BMs F 9 Watts) Sir Mark Prescott 8 7 | _G Dollaid 9 |
| 8 | 165-004 | TRIMINCY (7) (Cheveley Park Stud) M Ball 85 | M Fenton 1 V |
| | | - 5 declared - | |

There were three 10-furiong races at Pottefract on 4 June and SIGLLENGTON's win from the front was gained in a faster time than Barry Halfi's winners Gold Disc and Ambassador. A promising juvenile with good efforts against Josin, Moothe Cat and Heron Island, Sidlington looks worth following now that he has broken the 6s. The Dilettanid has also made the naming and the stable won a depart little race with Bewindring at Lectars in the more more, He has run well at hot madens and is up in the after taking advantage of a weaker gode at 188th (Jim) on his reappearance. The race with the run to sur Expensive Tasto, who cuckered from behind to best Lear let and Fotta Figho at Lingfield a forthight ago. Michael Stockerwoldn't hear of defect that day and Expensive Tasto can improve further off the 6th higher mark. Shear wind only from the medich filly Questionia (Heaten again afterwards) at Newcassia last, time. He seemed suited by the drop in distance and was a decent juvenue, finishing with a third to Mich's Love in the Haynes. Hardon & Cark at Newtury. Exalted was a good second to Pleasant Suprise an Haydock after finishing eight longits behind Expensive Taste at Lingfield. He is 7th better in with Michael Stoute's filly and holds Trassey on the Hagdock form. 384 Amendancy or sethent record school, while the exposed Spillo and Rehard Hannon's More Than You Know also look highly thed.

Selections SKULINGTON

| Ha | mon's M | ore Than You Know also look highly thed. Selection: | SKELLINGTON |
|-----|-----------|--|-----------------|
| 2 | 2.45 | WILLIAM HILL TROPHY HANDICAP (CLASS B) £45,000 added 3YO 6F Penalty Value £34,238 | C4 |
| 1 | 132-032 | WARNING TIME (7) (ID) (F.C.7 Wisser) 8 Montain 9 7 | B Deyte 13 |
| 2 | 2141-13 | DASHING BLUE (21) (cb) (No Duncan Aller) Baiding 9 3 | T Outre 15 |
| 3 | 2122-03 | LAAFEE (26) (D) (Hamdan Al Malcount) H Thomson Jones R 1 | _W Camon 18 |
| 4 | 3-12 | MAJOR QUALITY (40) (SE) (Mrs. Mary West) J Facebases 9 () | "D Harrison 4 |
| 5 | 205-500 | ERSTERN PROPRIETS (to (Hover Racing Club I) 7 J Naugrison 8 12. | J Wesser 1 |
| 8 | 1350-23 | REACT (LA) (D) (Hith Prince Felha Salman) W James 8 9 | Pat Edday S |
| 7 | 241-246 | HOUSEMAN BLUE (12), (D) (Ventrose Turntull) A large 8 8 | J Fortune 2 |
| 8 | 3140-2 | RED MYNER (18) (D) (The Who Nexts Partners?, Partnershot W Janus 8 ? | .2 Domeou 3 |
| 9 | 4416- | OR WHATHOUGHT (252) (Days O Cool I Hals 8 5 | |
| 10 | 320613 | HOH RETURNS (14) (D) (D F Albort) M Bell 8 4 | M Femma 7 |
| 11 | 04-11 | PLEADING (15) (D) (Smon Broke: H Candy 8 4 (7ex) | G Retter 11 |
| 12 | 5-010 | SPOTTED EAGLE (14) (D) [Lord Compton) R Hannon 8 3 | _5 Sandars B |
| 13 | 31-2412 | WILDWOOD FLOWER (26) (0) (8F) (6 Howard-Spirity R Hazmon B 2 | |
| 14 | 2-10 | PROMPTLY (30) (D) (SF) (James Wight) M Staute 8 2 | F Lynch (5) 13 |
| 15 | 1220-04 | BLESSINGMODISGUISE (14) JA G Black! M W Easterby B 9. | Cysles |
| 16 | 22-1057 | GREEN BARRIES (10) (D) (Makoum Al Marcoum) M Jorescon 7 10 | .T Williams 10 |
| 12 | 421-52 | ABALLSA (24) (H T Outline 7 O Barron 7 10 | L Charrock 17 |
| 18 | 513-410 | SECRET VOLICHER (38) (19 Smith) 8 McMahon 7 10 | Fessey (5) 12 |
| | | - 12 declared - | |
| 150 | inum weld | t: 7st 10th. Two hardisan welder: Green Bertos 7st Str. Malia 7st 7th. Secret | laucher ist da. |

BETTEND: 8-1 Restot, T-1 Deutsing Bloss, Hole Roberts, 8-1 Planeling, 12-1 Major Quality, View Wildwood Flower, 14-1 others 1905: Baiz Elfort 3 8 8 T less 10-1 (K Cumanghum-Brown) 15 can

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Goodf Wraggis Stylesh Weys was besten by a high crow in this last year when Bord Effort (drawn four) best Coastal Blaff (two). Those drawn mode to low may again have the edge and PLEADNNG has got to take some beating from stall 11 after turning in a first time at Leacester 19 days ago. He may have besten a most type in Albaha, but he rad plent, of older spinitess well beatin off and he looks well handicapped even with the penally. Norwagins Blass is an each very tancy from stall two with Jaminy Fortune booked. He was no match for Desting Blass (high draw today) at Sandown in April, but he gets a 7th pull and wents this soon further, these legislative transport of the East's race at Lecester last time. Better is expected today, while Red Rymph, second at Lecester, hes cleans from stall time. He have seen on Norwegan Blue in King Of The East's race at Lecester last time. Better is expected today, while Red Rymph, second at Lecester, hes cleans from stall five. Jermy Quan is a good booking and the gisting last 3 hig weight when a good fourth to Enchanted Guest at Nowcastle time. Maille, a strong finisher in second at Newcastle time. Destinate after her fine third to Branston Abby and My Luciy Parkes at Newmarket, and her craw ninet looks satisfactory. Hos Returns put could not find the extra against Arral and Array ninet Melody at Newmarket, a forthight ago. He is a fast cott and the tixt and second in the last, year came from that corresponding spirit at Newmarket, Warsing Time and Leefee could be an touckle from their high numbers, while Promptly (13) and Oli Williambridght (1.4) may also be handicapped.

| 3 | 20 | QUEEN MOTHER'S CUP LADY AMATEURS' HANDICAP (CLASS C) £15,000 added 1m 4f Penalty Value £10,748 |
|----|----------|---|
| 1 | 436122 | BARDON HELL BOY (5) (Ats Mary Brestin) 8 Hardon; 4 11 Q |
| 2 | /46/13/- | MELLARY (USA) (656) (D) (Asatonim Al Maltonin) M Strate 8 10 10 Mrs 5 Eddary 1 |
| 3 | 02-0000 | ROMBOS (21) (C Shracolas) P Cole 4 10 10Mrs S Booley 2 |
| 4 | 350-050 | HIGHTLYING (7) (CD) (B Baley) G Moore 1D 1D 8 |
| 5 | | CELESTIAL CHOR (2T) (D) (Mrs Carole Sylves) I Eyry 6 108Mins Diseas 3 |
| 8 | 000020- | DREAMS END (224) (D) (T G Page) P Bowen 8 10 8 |
| 7 | 06-2455 | LOOKINGFORABARBOW (19) (CD) (B M Saurrally) B Jones B 10 2 Miles B Jones (5) 6 |
| 8 | | MIGH PYRENEES (21) (/ Sephenson) 9 Allon 4 10 1 Miss P Robson 38 |
| 8 | | SELVENIE (96) (D) (Processors) Miss Gay Releasey 4 9 9 |
| 10 | | CANTE CHICO (5) (D) (Mes V Hagh) O Brennan 4 9 6 |
| 11 | | WITNEY-DE-BERGERAC (4.1) (D) (Eme Houston) J Moore 4.9.5 |
| 12 | | MAKE A STAND (7) (D) (P A Dead M Poe 5 9 4 |
| 13 | | PHILGUM (488) (D) (C W C Elsey) W Elsey 7 8 13 |
| | | SCENIC DANCER (7) (D) (Archony Hote) 4 Hote 8 8 10 |

— 14 decard —
Minimum weight; 8st 10th, True handions weight; Scenc Dancer 8st 2th,
BETTRNC: 3-1 Bardon HB Boy, T-2 Lookingfornalabow, 6-1 McRaby,
Stand, 12-1 Silictail, Romios, 18-1 others
1995; Tethys 4 10 7 Mess Dans Jones 4-1 () L Eyrel 4 ran eley, 8-1 Cords Chico, 7-1 Make A MEJLABY has returned from a lay-off to win in the past and to land this after a two-year asserted would come as no supprise. The lay-off was 10 months prior to his Goodwood success from late Of Pearls in July, 1994, and this is not a particularly har grade. Las Eyre and Diano Jones against to follow Fethys' win lost yeer with Calesdal Shoir, while wirning hurder little A Standt won claimer for Henry Carryl last yeers is another with a chance in the hands of Tydis Pearle. Shicted returns from a rest with every trope on last season's with on the fast ground, and Bandon MB Boy must also be respected after source efforts in decent another. Selections of Revette.

3.50 LEONARD SAINER EBF STAKES (CLASS D) £6,000 added 2YO 61 Penalty Value £4,046 SETTING: 6-5 Salata, 9-4 Zagadi, 3-1 Maladerie, 10-1 Zerotald 1985: Natu Azzapton 1 9 0 W Carson 4-9 U Dunkoh 4 ran

As eyes will be on Salsahu's son Salvin after her daugster Bark Salsahu's star showings last year. John Duniop had readed Bark Salsahu's star showings last year. John Duniop had readed Bark Salsahu's to a writing debut at Accor, and Salvin, who has life Prospector as his sino, is of February loat who can be expected to be just as well frow ward. Mack Choinnon is firing with his youngsters MALADERES, also a February loat, is a graded son of Thatching who shoped really well on his debut at Goodwood to be beaten only a length two loansh by Paul Cole's well registed huscane; he will come on for the experience and the form was boosted when Blue Ridge leighth won at Sandown yestimate. Ben Hanbury houses the smart Typy Creek so Zugod must also be held in some regard. He has starman in his pedigree, but hight Shift is proving himself a fire are of juvenies. Salvinded did nothing at Kempton, but this costly coll is a half-brother to Charlie Nelson's warrang juvenie Leat Leader.

Selection: MALADERE

4.25 CADOGAN SILVER SALVER HANDICAP (CLASS C) £15,000 added 1m 1f Penalty Value £11,040 ### State | Section | Sect

BETTIME: 9-2 Embankment, 9-1 Sandment Chambers, T-1 Senand 4
Adman, Queens Consol, Maradets, 10-1 others
1985: Price Of Periols 6 B R Alos Groots 7-1 (D Nicholts) IS kin bray, T-1 Severeign Page, Pay Ho

CARLITO BRIGANTE, starper for a run in a ladies race at Epsom last Sunday, was a very easy wanner from Curtelinee at Porteinac in April. A good third to Mignor at Donessier at teresards, he rates the top to confirm Beverley narring in April with Hazard A Guess, who should be bang there today with a 7th pull. Hazard A Guess is on a good mark and was apprentice indicen at Epsom last Sanday when sowerful to En-Artistokati, Sandandor Chaemay, a stong finishing than to Mibulus at Epsom last Sunday, beld the narrowest of margins over Up in Flames and Pay Homesja.

Selection: CARLITO BRIGANTE FORM GUIDE

4.55 JACK HANSON & GUY REED MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS D) £6,000 added 3YO 1m Penalty Value £4,124

phis Seem 1995: Americk 3 B 9 W Carson 4-11 (J Gosden) 4 ran FORM GUIDE

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Veridian is related to several winners and insidebut form at Newbury looks good. His dam was a winner at this trip in France and the three in front of him at Newbury all had previous expenence. Vendian ran a cracker in fourth to Reito that day and, apart from Gold Spats Isocond) winning next time. Straco (liftin) and Sip Jig (eighth) have also boosted the form, his just a matter of time before David Looks strikes from and his newcomer PEARI, D'AZUR is the choice. The colt should love the fast ground and his well-related dram was a seventuriong winner. Salerak did also better on his second start when fourth to Forza Figho at Goodwood, a performance which plats him on a par with Kluste Lipits, who was a smilar distance behind Forza Figho at Newbury, Bollin Jonanne may not be good enough, while Memphils Beard needs to improve on his Goodwood debut showing. Selection: PEARI, D'AZUR

FANNY'S CHOICE 9 Hannon 8 11..... 6 RISE 'N SHINE (10) C Oper 8 11..... STADORN HYPERION

1.50 Conspiracy 2.20 Shehab 2.55 Saltando 3.30 Al Shafa 4.00 Farringdon Hill 4.35 Double Quick 5.05 Double March GOING: Good to Firm (Firm in places).

1995: Quango 3 8 7 K Fallon 3-1 U FitzGerald) 4 ran

GOING: Good to Firm (Firm in places).

STALLS: Straight course — stands sade; remainder — inside.

DRAW ADVANTAGE: High for 51; low for 71 & Im.

If Right-hand course. Separate sain 51 track,

Course is on A507, 4m 5 of Kingston, Esher statken (service from London, Waterdon) adjoins course. ADMISSION: Clab \$15, Junior (Jub., 18 — 26718) £13; Grandssand & Padapek \$12; Park 55, CAR PARKE 52 in themplers, remainsing free.

BLINERRED FORST TIME. Bakers Daughter (2.55); United Prost (4.00).
WINNERS IN THE LAST SEVEN DARK: None.
LONG-DISTANCE HUNDERS: Double Quick (4.35) has been sent 249 miles by M.Johnston from Middleham, N Torks; Crabbie's Pride (3.30) sem 186 miles by A Balley from Little Badworth, Cheshire. 150 EBF PORTMAN SQUARE MAIDEN STAKES

1 CONSPIRACY (24) (8F) J Dunlop 8 11 0 DASIR (12) G Lews 8 11.....

2.55 JOHNSTONE DOUGLAS HANDICAP (CLASS D) £5,500 added 1m 610300- JOLTO (225) K McAulific 7 10 0_ DO-1501 ASHER HILL (10) 9 Rose 5 8 7 Part Eddery 4 3-2030 BHIERS DAUGHRER (107) (D) J Anold 4 8 1 Martin Depar (5) 5 8 4-06200 SAUDHROO (7) (D) (6) Par Michell 5 8 1 July Heavy (3) 8

(CLASS F) £4,000 added 3YO 1m 2f

- B declared -BETTING: 7-2 Ashby RH, 4-1 Formidable Partner, 9-2 Autumn Cover, 5-1 Sen Denrig, Bultpoint, 11-2 Gedge, 7-1 John, 25-1 others BETTING: 4-6 Conspiracy, 5-4 Pagny's Choice, 12-1 Rise 'N Shine, 2.20 BERKELEY SQUARE CLAIMING STAKES

3.30 ROTHMANS SERIES HANDICAP (CLASS C)

4.00 SURREY RACING HANDICAP (CLASS D) £5,500 added 1m 6f

e, 3-1 Majdak Joroch, 4-1 Prince Danzig. 8-1 Bold Resolution, 10-1 others BETTING: 11-4 Was 5-1 Lucky Cols., 5-1 Opera Buff, 8-1 Bold Res

426-555 YA MALAK (14) (D) J Payne 5 9 0-21. SPEED ON (38) (0) H Candy 3 8 11. W Rywn 6 62-0025 DOUBLE QUICK (6) (CD) (8F) M Johnston 4 8 9 M Roberts 7 233-250 CROSS THE BORDER (27) (0) 9 Hannot 3 B 7 K Durley 1 - 7 declared
BETTINE: 11-4 Crowded Avenue, 3-1 Ya Maisk, 5-1 Dooble Quick, 6-1 That Man Again, 7-1 The Puzzler, 8-1 Speed On, Cross The Border 5.05 GROSVENOR SQUARE MAIDEN STAKES (CLASS D) £5,500 added 370 71 ...W Ryan B _D & McCabe 4 Martin Dayer (5) 3 O Urbins 2 O MR HACKER (24) G Thomas 9 0 _A Eddery (7) 3- DEVINE (267) A Steven 8 9....

4.35 LEICESTER SQUARE STAKES (CLASS C)

2110-03 CROWDED AVENDE (E) (D BIF) P Makin 4 9 O. Paul Eddery 4

并和#等學學學 HYPERION

2.00 Multi Franchise 2.30 Ride Sally Ride (nb) 3.05 Mr Copyforce 3.35 Last Chance 4.05 Concer Un 4.40 Tart 5.10 Dande Flyer

GOUNG: Good to Fign.

STALLE: Straight course - far side; round course - instite.

DRAW ADVANTAGE: Name.

Il Left-hand, galloping course. Four furlong run-in bends to the left and is uphill all the way.

Il Rececourse to 2m NW of thy usur A431. Buth station 2m. ADMISSION: Club S12; Tatersalls S5; Silver Ring 54; Course 51.

CAR PANE: Centre of course 55 for our plan driver and \$1 for each passenger; remainder free.

BLINKERED FIEST TIME: Bapatord (3.35, visored). WINNERS IN THE LAST SEVEN DATS: My Gallery (4.05) won

at Clopatow on Thursday.

LONG-DISTANCE RUNNERS: Eide Sally Ride (2:30) & Albert
The Bear (5:10) have been sent 213 railes by J Berry from Cocker-

2.00 JUNE SELLING HANDICAP (CLASS 6) £3,000 added 1m 2f 46yds

2.30 PUMP ROOM STAKES (CLASS D) £4,550 added 2YO 5f 21 418 RIDE SALLY RIDE (18) (D) | Berry 93 ______ G Carter 3
1 146 FOLLY FOOT FINED (25) (D) 8 R Milmain R I ... S Drowne (5) 1
3 51 DASHING ROCKSWILE (18) M Common 8 12 ____ R lagging 3
4 COMPTON PLACE | Toller 8 11 ____ W | J G'Common 6
5 1 MIRSTOR FOUR LIFE (46) (D) M Tomplang 8 10.P Robbisson 4
B DROVMLE (USA) 9 Charlton 8 6 ____ T Sensite 5
— 5 declared ____ T Sensite 5

BETTING: 7-4 Ride Sally Ride, 3-1 Desting Rockswille, 7-2 Dayville, 5-1
Mirror Four Life, 6-1 Folly Foot Fred, 12-1 Compton Place

3.05 ABBEY HANDICAP (CLASS D) £5,100 added 2m 1f

5 600-531. MR COPYFORCE (10) Mas. 8 Sandes. 6 7 11 6 Burderdt 3 8 43-2608. PEDMLTOTHERMETAL (10) P. Mischell 4 7 10.C Administry (6) 1 8 Buckered - 8 Buckered - Methoram redges: 7st 10to. True handloop weight: Pediatiothemetal 7st 9to. BETENG: 9-4 Mr Copyforce, 5-2 Chalabala, 7-2 World Express, 6-1 Pediatothemetal, 6-1 Castle Secret, Otota 3.35 CHARLCOMBE MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (CLASS E) £4,200 added 2YO 5f

4.05 BECKFORD TOWER HANDICAP (CLASS D) £5,100 added 1m 12210-0 CONCER UN (14) (CD) S Williams 4 10 0
10000-0 ETHERAT (USA) §9 W Mair 59 13.
40-0020 EMILY-MOU 89 (3) (BF) M Ryon 4 8 5....
426105 SOOTY TERM (12) (D) J Brazilly 9 9 3
329531 MY GALLERY (2) A Bailey 5 8 10 (50)
040-300 ZATOPEK (17) J Cultum 4 8 B R Hughes 7
D Wright (3) 4
P McCabe (3) 3

SETING: 11-4 Nasigata, 7-2 My Sallory, 4-1 Emby-Mou, 5-1 Concer Us, 6-1 Zatopsk, 8-1 Socty Tora, 10-1 Ethbest 4.40 GIVE WEMBLEY A MISS LIMITED STAKES (CLASS F) £3,450 added 310 1m 3f 144yds

BETTING: 3-1 Minsteam, Tart, 9-2 Laboud, 5-1 Belzao, 6-1 Fijon, Soldier

5.10 TETBURY HANDICAP (CLASS D) £5,100 added 5f 161yds

042002 HOW'S YER FROMER (10) (D SF) 9 Hodges 108 11_A Daily (S) 12

Athinum weight: 7st 10th The hending weight: Centium 7st 5th,
BETTRICE 4-3, White Exit, 8-1, Albart The Boor, Dande Flyer, 8-2 How/s
Yer Father, 5-1 Songisheet, 10-1 Am's Pauri, 14-1 others

MARKET RASEN 2.10 Sujud 2.40 Robert's Toy 3.10 Mim-Lou-And 3.45 Persian Tactics 4.15 Gone By 4.50 Bourdonner GOING: Good to Firm (Good in places, watering).

Right-hund, sharp, undulating circuit. Run-in of one furiong.

Course is E of town on A631. Market Resen station (Lincoln

Grimsby line 1 lm. ADMISSION: Club S 12; Tattersoils 58 (OAPs who are members of course's Jubilee Clob S 4); Silver Ring 56 (Ju-bilee Club OAPs 52.50). CAR PARK: picnic areas 52, rost free. BLINKERED FIRST TIME: EMiss (3.10).

WINNERS IN THE LAST SEVEN DATS: Saskin's Bero (3.45) woman Southwell Last Saturds.

LONG-DISTANCE RUNNERS: Tipping The Line (2.10), Miss Dotty (2.40), Robert's Toy (2.40) & Southerly Gale (4.15) and 250 miles from M Pipe's Nicholashayne stable in Devon; Sydney Barry (3.46) & Tour Londer (4.15) sent 246 miles from 8 Buckier's Melplach stable in Domet.

2.10 TOTE BOOKMAKERS NOVICE HURDLE (CLASS D) £4,000 added 3m 0P4215- CLASSIC CREST (23) 6 M Moore 5 11 9.... 1 OP4215 CLASSIC CREST (22) G M Moore 5 11 9 N Bentley V CORPOL2 TUPPING THE LINE (1AM M Pap 6 11 B R. Johnson 3 OD551 YOURSE (1599W) (27) P Bearmore 5 11 9 R. Stopple 4 20022-2 PERMONDEE PLACE (6) G J Houghton 5 11 2 A Theoretica 5 400000 THEMBLE (14) M Someraby 7 11 2 J Cabbrary 6 UPO PRISCILLA (29) R Debri 5 10 11 Mr J Databay (3) 7 PO POLHICAL, STREMMSH (25) I Part 7 10 11 Mr J Databay (3) 7 PO POLHICAL, STREMMSH (25) I Part 7 10 11 Mr J Databay (3) 9 P THEMES STORE (53) P E Came 5 10 11 Mr 9 Theoretica (7) 9 P THEMES STORE (54) P Revise 7 10 11 Mr 9 Theoretica (7) 9 P THEMES STORE (54) P Heart 4 10 B P CAPACHY (10) OD5704 BIG THEME (15) P Heart 4 10 B P P CAPACHY (12) A MR J Ramodon 4 10 4 Mr Obyter 13 3 SULLID (14) Mr J Ramodon 4 10 4 M Dwyer 13 declared 6 EETITMS: 3-1 Sajed, 9-2 Santella Boy, 5-1 Topping The Line, 6-1 Pro-

BETTREE 3-1 Sajed, 9-2 Santella Boy, 5-1 Roping The Line, 6-1 Pembridge Piece, Young Kenny, 8-1 Classic Crest, 10-1 others 2.40 LINCS FM NOVICE CHASE (CLASS D) £6,000 added 2m 1f 110yds

2 204122 LONANUTHA (16) Mrs E Heath B 11 9 A Thorston 2 035291- MICHENDO (FR (15) (0) 5 Brookena-B 11 9 Ar B Food 3 PSF231 ROBERT'S TOY (16) M Poe 5 11 3 A P McCoy R 4 1/221-0 ABALENE (250) T Dornelly 7 11 2 T 169 5 034520 COUNTY PRINCE (15) A lones B 11 1 Shortest B 21101/P SHERWOOD BOY (25) K Baley 7 11 1 J Osborpa 5 2111111- CENTROLL CAS IN CAST / 11 1 CENTROLL CAS

3.10 SUMMER FESTIVAL HANDICAP HURDLE 12 3 13

March, 6-1 Grand Musica, 7-2 Junetrals Susset, 12-1 others

- 9 declared -

BETTING: 5-2 Locky Archer, 4-1 Double Bleff, 9-2 How Long, 5-1 Double

3.45 SYSTEMATIC PRINTING HANDICAP CHASE (CLASS D) £6,500 added 2m 1f 110yds

Minimum weight: 10st. True handcap weight: Rupples 9ct 13th.
BETTENE: 9-4 Persian Tactics, 3-1 Oscall An Doras, 6-1 Seside's Hero 6-1 Strong Approach, 8-1 Radeo Star, 14-1 Sydney Barry, 10-1 others

4.15 SCUNTHORPE SLAG NOVICE HCAP CHASE (CLASS D) £5,500 added 2m 6f 110yds

- 12 declared Minimum weight: 10st, True handcap weight: Lo-Piying Missile 9st 13th, Bir

ter Aice 9st 13th, Little Thyric 9st 5th, BETTENE: 7-2 Gone Ry, 4-1 Your Leader, 5-1 Southerly Gale, 8-1 Gorby's Nyth, 6-1 Destryforthey, 10-1 Willie Malcelt, 14-1 Other's

4.50 RHODES NOVICE HANDICAP HURDLE (CLASS E) £3,000 added 2m 1f 110yds

SANDOWN

2.16: 1. ERFOGE (Pat Endey) 7.4 tay,
2. Cadeaux Cher 5-1; 3. Sheeoure 11-2.9 ran,
4. 1. (R Hernon), Totac 52.55; 61.10, 61.40,
62.50. DF: 54.90, CSF, 61.07.1 Thr.: 25.40,
2.50-1. PUTRA (T Quirul 9-2: 2. Beary The
Dip 8-1; 3. Powder Boar 13-2. 9 ran, 11-8
for Regal Partol (4th), 3/4, 5. (P. Coll.) Totac
64.80; 61.50, 62.90, 61.30, DF: 528.30, CSF,
538.15. Thr.: 255.20, NF. Captain William,
3.20: 1. MANDR CHANGE (Darn O'Roll) 8-1:
2. Folis 5-1; 3. Shear Dausig 10-1, 9 ran, 2-1,
8w Nature Charles (5th, 38-40, 79-4, R Hannon,
Totac 63.70; 62.10, 51.50, 63.40, DF: 258.20,
CSF; 545.86, Tricace 6376-30, Tere: 545.20,
3.56: 1. RANDS (P Egan) 8-2 inc. 2. Nauvent SANDOWN 9-1; 3. Duelto 6-1, 12 rap. 24z, 14z, filtra L Subtral, Totas 66.00; 62.60, 63.20, 12.30. DF: 628.00. CSP; £42.70, 7/688° £228.44. Too: 689.20. After a stewards Inquiry, the piscings Author case is sometimes separa, use processor considered.

4.30; 1. SHANNLADEE (T Quint) 12-1; 2. Russian Requires 8-13 for; 3. Heidrich 5-1. 8 cas. 2. 4, (M Soute), This 72-10; 510, 5210, 5210, 5220, DF; £8.10. CSP; £19.35. The: £16.10.

5.00: 1. LORO HIEN ADMIRAL (AI Roberty 7-2: 2. Speniards Glose 11-8 fox 3. La Saquet 5-1. 8 mm. 1½, nk. 6# Heston-Biel, Toler £5.30; 21.80, £1.40, £1.50, DP: £4.00, CSP: £8.48, Thir £5.10. NP: Superieo. 1-25.1. DANCE (RDIC (A Delp) 10-1-2, Pet-ulous #8000 5-1: 3. Silver Hunter 10-1. 14 cm. Ad. 6 for Excellent Me. 314, C Marcel. 4-1 jt for Rock The Barney, Nik, 1¼4, (R Harris). Toke: £17.50; £4.20, £1.80, £2.90, DF: £24.20, £59; £60.15, Tacast; £488.96, Trics £128.50, NR: Lidherns, No B Lidherns (SEL) was nitriciann not under orden. Pule 4 applies to board priess care, deducation III to the pound. After a sewards' inquity and an objection by second the minner, the pilocings remained unaffered. Place 6: £40.63, Place 5: £30.31

Ing 1809 (1.21) was warmown the trues shrinks oraces, Alah 4 apples to all less deduction for it the pound,

3.38: 1. MERCURY (S 0 Wilsemat 8-1; 2. Newstaridge Boy 3-1 ins; 3. Toeto 12-1. R ran. 12-ni. U Gloven, Tota: £16, 70: £2-50, £1-10, £2-60, DF: £91.50. CSF-523-73. Nor. £101.20.

4.98: 1. YELLOW DRAGEON (N Carlse) 5-1 co-fav; 2. Paleogether bo 12-1; 3. Sie Barden 8-1, £3 ran. 5-1 co-favs Turntile (5th), Crity Los (8th), Acidoaldo, 3-7c, 1-7c, DF: £57-50, CSF-£53-50. Toetas: £451.77. Nor. 538, 750, CSF-£53-50. Toetas: £451.77. Nor. 538, 70 (part very pool of £1.39 carred forward to York 2-45 to-dey), NR: Frankly Fran. No 4 Frankly Fran (1.47). SOUTHWELL 2.00: 1. MONTONE OF M Marmeth 5-2 tar; 2. Ring The Chief 14-1; 3. Devid Junes: Girl 9-2. 12 nas. 3/4, ½, U Jentero, Toto: 12.70; 11.10. 5.770, £1.90. DF: £12.40. CSF. £36.69. Treast: £148.19. Trie; £48.20.

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THE INDEPENDENT

Schumacher keeps piling the pressure on Hill

Motor racing DAVID TREMAYNE

reports from Montreal

If it had been official qualifying it would have been gripping stuff. With the chequered flag timesheets, but in the very moment of his celebration teammate Jean Alesi snatched away the plaudits by 0.072secs as un-made their push. official practice for the Canadian

Grand Prix drew to a close.

and an irritation to Benetton-Renault, who badly need a good result.

Earlier, Michael Schumacher bad thumbed the new raised nose of his Ferrari at Damon Hill's Williams-Renault until Hill assertedhimself to end the in sight Gerhard Berger pushed his Benetton to the top of the morning a scant 0.034 ahead. In the afternoon Schumacher marginally bettered that to go fastest until the Benetton duo

It is early days here, of course, at the circuit named after the These times do not count for former Ferrari driver Gilles VII-

the day progressed times were bound to fall, as they will again tomorrow as more rubber is laid down. But it was psychologically important for Hill to re-establish a status quo rendered soggy by the rain in Spain two weeks ago. There, as Hill foundered not once but thrice, Schumacher drove to a stunning success title fight is far from over.

With his engine failure while dominating the Monaco Grand Prix, and then the accident that at the start of the season, and the starting grid, which will be leneuve, whose son Jacques is at took him out of the Spanish race, its teething problems.

concerned about my score in the first round. In a US Open you can

be six shots back with one round

to play and still win." Norman,

of course, led the Masters by six

strokes going into the final round

Tiger Woods. In the first round

the 20-year-old US Amateur

champion had a quadruple-bo-gey eight there after twice hit-ting the ball into the water. He

went from three under par to six

over in a round of 76. Woods

might not have needed re-

minding that when Ben Hogan

won the US Open here in 1951

Yesterday Woods repaired

he shot 76 in the first round.

some of the damage with a 69. He hirdied the 10th and 17th to

come home in 34 compared to

43 on Thursday, "I'm proud of the way I played," Woods said.

"I had a game plan and I stuck

simple; keep the ball on the fair-ways. Failure to do so will almost

The 16th was also tamed by

and shot 78 to Faldo's 67.

consolation to Damon Hill, tracting all the headlines. The Hill has been forced to watch at track was dirty initially, and as least 14, possibly 20, points disappear. And the rise of Schumacher has struck a further chill note. The world champion's victory in Spain owed more to his brilliance in dire conditions than it did to any inherent superiority of the Ferrari, but the Italian team are nevertheless making great strides with every race. Schumacher has limited that raised speculation that the the points deficit to 17 despite the technical compromises that have been forced upon Ferrari by the late arrival of the new car

ing boned further, and they are gaining momentum with each change. Paddock observers who a month ago would have bet only on Hill for the 1996 championship, are already beginning to evaluate the likelihood of Schumacher taking a third consecutive title. The protagonists themselves know that this race could prove to be the point around which championship fortunes turn. The psychological edge is delicate for both of them.

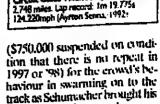
Villeneuve, eighth fastest yesterday morning, is bearing the Formula One star - the first

complete focus of national feryour starved since the heydays of the downhill skier Steve Podborski and ice-bockey player Wayne Gretzky. "There are times," be said earlier this week, "when I know how a mouse trapped in a cage must feel when I come to Montreal." Like Hill, Villeneuve is a championship contender, his work this weekend made more difficult by the burden of national expectation

on his shoulders. The presence of a Canadian

Now the Ferrari design is be-ng boned further, and they are it has not been easy living as the - has been a massive boost to the organisers, who confidently expect a record crowd on Sunday. Yet such patriotic fervour may prove a double-edged sword. "If Villeneuve wins," a local observer remarked, "it will be as if next week's Fete de Nation has come early.

Last year the crowd invaded the track to celebrate Jean Alesi's singular success for Ferrari; if Villencuve wins the organisers live in fear of a repeat, following the governing body, FIA's, action last week against the Imola circuit, which was fined \$1m



Warwick puts his love to a ritual test

The appeal of this weekend's Le Mans is a strong as ever, says Derick Allsop &

Even now, when major sport is all pervasive and hogging every television and radio schedule. one of the most hizarre rituals of them all clings resolutely to its place on the calendar, in a corner of France few can identify, in an event still fewer can make sense of.

Yes, Le Mans is on again this

It is bizarre because a race that lasts 24 hours cannot really be called a race in the accepted sense of the word and this is not a spectacle to sit and watch, beginning to end, anyway. It is and always was a pageant huilt round an endurance test for drivers, machines and public.

But once it was also a challenge some of the world's best drivers responded to and, until recent years, it was the cornerstone of a recognised world championship for recognised monsters of sportscar engineering.

However, the very best dri-vers long ago abandoned the in-timidating ordeal and now the cars are a confusing mix, some belonging to a kind of "global" series, although participants themselves are uncertain what all of them are.

Le Mans exists in a vacuum, and that is its very strength, its very appeal. It is a monument to traditioo and defiance. It's there because, well it has seem-ingly always been there.

it also serves as a vehicle to regenerate his racing career. At and significant motor race. the age of 41, he is among those who may never be as good as they were, but who are still competitive enough to get their kicks, and a pay cheque, out of

Warwick makes his first appearance in a race since the end of last season, when Alfa Romeo pulled out of the British Touring Car Championship. He could not find another drive for this year, and yearns for a chance next year. Victory this weekend, for Porsche, in part-nership with Mario Andretti and Jan Lammers, would, he

hopes, enhance his cause. "I believe I'm good enough for another five years or more,"
he said. "I'm gutted not to he
in the British Touring Car Championship this year, but it's such a fickle husiness and I know a few will have been grinning at my expense. I also look on it as unfinished business.

"I need to keep the continu-

ity as a racing driver. I don't want a sabbatical. That's why I was determined to get this drive. I could have taken more money elsewhere, but that was not the priority or the motiva-

The Courage Team, like Andretti, have so far chased this prize in vain but Warwick, a winner four years ago, believes fulfilment is within reach. He said: "It is a good car.

good engine and good team. It's a kind of ambition realised for me to be driving alongside Mario. I genuinely believe we have an excellent chance of winning, that's why I'm here.
"I can't pretend I'm in 100

per cent shape because t've been burying myself in husiness this year and I've let the training slip. I know that whatever I do I can do better, and I only hope I don't let the side down, "But I know I still have the

speed, the ability and the will, and there will be no more determined driver out there. I still love this sport and still want

No one would ever question Warwick's commitment, but some, perhaps many, do question whether Le Mans still has a valid role to play in motor rac-

Warwick said: "I have to admit all the different categories confuse me so I can understand people wondering what its all about. But having been here in This year, for Derek Warwick the past and heing here now I can honestly say it is still a huge

"All right, you've not got Mercedes or Jaguar, hut you have got eight McLarens, three Ferraris and a very strong Porsche representation. Le Mans is a part of history and that is important, but I believe

it is also important today. "Let's face it, Formula One isn't exactly rich in talent at the moment. Michael Schumacher was magnificent in Spain a couple of weeks ago, in a class of his own, but quite frankly he had no opposition.

"I raced in 147 grands prix and in every one of those there were a number of great drivers. Today there is only one great

driver in grand prix racing.

There may be no Schumacher at Le Mans, but there are several very good drivers and the competition will be very close and very strong. That makes for good motor racing and makes it all worth while. Le

Norman moves into contention

Golf

TIM GLOVER reports from Oakland Hills,

Lee Trevino once remarked that if you were in possession of a one-iron out on a golf course you could not be struck by lightning on the hasis that -not even God can hit a one-iron." Most club handicappers do not even carry a one-iron in the bag and vet in his relentless drive for perfection. Nick Faldo is now

playing with a zero-iron. The Masters champion used it on seven occasions in the first round of the US Open Championship and described it as the perfect weapon for attacking the Monster, as Oakland Hills is constantly referred to. The Monster was under water on Wednesday hut in the first two rounds the course was baked by temperatures in the 80s and the consensus is that it is going to get hotter and harder and faster.

Faldo had a two-over-par 72 in the first round, five behind the joint leaders Payne Stewart and

of the world No 1, Greg Norman. cult. The greens are receptive but annihilated by Faldo in the final with a lot of 30 footers. I wasn't round at Augusta National two months ago, made a move up the leaderboard with a 66, one shot outside the course record. With Faldo struggling over the early. holes, Norman was enjoying

something of a role reversal. The Australian is owed a stroke of luck and he got it in dramatic fashion yesterday. Norman, runner-up in the US Open in 1984 and again last year, went to the turn in 34, one under for the day, two over for the championship. He picked up a birdie at the short 13th and eagled the 16th, a par four of 403 yards. Norman's approach shot with an eight-iron from 144 yards pitched beyond the flag, spun back and the ball obligingly disappeared into the hole. The Great White Shark had taken

a hite out of the Monster. At a stroke Norman moved from one over to one under and was within striking distance of the lead. That shot did a lot for my game plan for Oakland Hills is morale," Norman said. "I hit a lot of fairways, a lot of greens. Woody Austin and one in front The course is playing very diffi-

certainly result in penury. Woods played the first two rounds with the Open champi-Complete first-round scores on, John Daly, and the defending US Open champion, Corey Pavin. If anybody hits the ball further than Daly it is Woods. Pavin, on the other hand, is renowned for his accuracy, not his length, and at times it looked like a contest between a pea shooter and a howitzer. Fortunately there is more to the L. Mac. A Copus (Gar), F Funk. game than hiasting the ball huge distances and, in fact, all

Sings (Fig. D Liver, C Rocca (1991), TLE-Hornar, 7.1 Gollegher Jrv, S Murphy, P Jordan 172 J Furyk, N Faldo (GB), M Processor, (IS), Diver, Nototy, L Temps, B John, Nototy, L O'Media, H Inver. J Notdeut, S (GB), B Larre (GB), 81 .



Greg Norman tees off at the 12th in the US Open yesterday

to the former Open champioo Ian Baker-Finch. Norman has taken some blows in his time but he has suffered oothing compared to his fellow Australian. Baker-Finch cannot bit a fairway. cannot make a cut. In the first round he shot 83, going to the turn in 46. Yesterday he showed slight improvement - he covered

the front nine in 44.

illed throughout his career by the green and his chip shot ran putting problems, seems to have suffered a relapse. In contrast, Tom Watson, whose Achilles' heel has been the yips, appeared on the leaderboard with birdies at the first and second holes to stand at two under

par for the championship.

a nightmare on the greens. on the course, and dropped a shot at the third where he missed

the green and his chip shot ran at least 20 feet past the flag.

Us OPEN (Onlined Hind Burly Burly bushing sooned-round scores (US unless stated): 128 G. Norman (Aus) 73 65. 140 D Live 71 69; F Nobio RC) 71 69, 141 B Andrade 72 69; J Doly 72 69. 142 W Riey (Aus) 73 69, 143 B Mayhim 72 71; V Singh (Fil) 71 72; J Drocke 72 Till Thrown 71 72; C Panh 73 70, 344 B Dayart 73 71; W Murchson 76 69, 146 B Oge (Aus) 70 75; C Rocen (D; 71 74, "T Woods 76 69; J Hass 73 72, T Tokes 77 68, A Fostirand (See) 74 71, 146 W Goody (Aus) 71 75; L Panhra (Aus) 75 71, 147 D Donaid 75 72, 186 Tretas 74 76; The leading 60 players and ties
Another player who seemed destined to miss the cut was and anyone within 10 strokes of the lead survived the halfway cut last night hut it was of little use

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Peyron the favourite

STUART ALEXANDER

The ever-popular but now French-dominated and run Singlehanded Trans-Atlantic race are the most likely to stop him sees 58 yachts from 14 countries doing the double. start the 10th run from Plymouth to Newport, Rhode Island, tomorrow.

It continues to attract a majority of Corinthian amateurs, but the main focus will be on the multihuli fivers and the clutch of monohulls tuning up for the Vendee Globe non-stop singlchander in November.

The 1992 winner Loick Peyron is back in the trimaran Fuicolor II, designed by Nigel Irens, and his compatriots Paul Vatine (Haute Normandie) and Laurent Bourgnon (Primagaz)

Britain's Pete Goss has done only five hours of single-handed work in the new Aqua Quorum. The 34-year-old former marine is determined to show that ingenuity can beat big budgets and bigger boats. Aqua Quorum features a swinging 12ft keel and the race is, he says, a data-gathering exercise for November.

Bishop bangs heads and demands unity **Rugby Union**

Bill Bishop, the hard-pressed president of the Rugby Football

three scored impressively; Daly

also shot 69, Pavin 70.

Union, tried to bang heads together last night when he ordered the hickering parties of the executive committee to get their act together, at least in public. His directive for a public unit-

ed front followed open criticism by committee members and was ssued after yesterday's meeting of the executive committee. The meeting was chaired by Cliff Brit-tle, who earlier this week criticised RFU officials involved in all times. All RFU statements the TV negotiations with Sky, but will be issued through the officials week. He criticised fellow sewho is subject to the president's cial RFU media office.

authority.
Officials spent the day thrashing out a unified policy that should end the rows that have split the English game. In future, all utterings from Twickenham will follow the party line. The RFU statement said:

The RFU executive ing hy Warwickshire's John committee meeting today, the president, Bill Bishop, has directed that all members of the executive should respect their corporate responsibility and speak publicly with one voice at agreement worth £87m to the to be resolved.

<u>SPORTING DIGEST</u>

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Golf
ERROPEAN SENSOR CLASSIC (Castle Royal, Maideobeard) Leading Brat-round source (OB or int unless started): 66 J Morgan, 87 D Husth, H Schurnscher (Swit), 68 J Morgan, 87 D Husth, H Schurnscher (Swit), 68 J Horgan, C Aldred, L Montroe (US); 3 Wastes, 69 H Platmen, M Bernbridge, J Fourie (SA), 8 Huggest, 70 3 Very (SA), 0 Creamer, S. Larcassite (US); A Bickerdite, F Abreu (Sp), N Retoliffe (Aust), M Murphy, PW6 LEADERBOARD: 1 A Sorerssam (Swe) 3561-54ps, 2 L Cawes (GB) 352-95, 3 L Neumann (Swe) 292-05, 4 * Robbirs (US) 224-81, 5 M Mailon (US) 218.79, 6 M McGan (US) 130.73, 7 P Sheetran (US) 190.46, 2 K Webb (Aus) 173-18, 9 J Geddes (US) 170-20, 119 2 Dambil (US) 156-32. GB: 18 A Nicholas 110.00, 36 L Fairclough 561.75, 40 P Wright 58.16, 41 L Hackney 57.80.

Cardiff Devis have signed Frank Caprice, the 34-year-old Canadian netminder. Caprice spent seven seasons in the NHL

with Vancouver but more recently has been playing in the Italian Premier

Birmingham Blaze have signed Jarkko Kortesoja, the 24-year-old Firmish net-minder, beating off competition from a

number of Austrian and Swiss clubs.

Rugby League

ARL PREMIERSHIP (elever bene Broncos 4 Many 18.

It is rare for presidents to use such commanding words as "di-rected" and "instruction". But it was necessary for Bishop to

The hackground to this unique, one-track approach is Brittle's accusation that he

nior officials by saying: "Democracy no longer pre-vails within the RFU." This was followed by the president, pastpresident Dennis Easby and treasurer Colin Herridge - a powerful trio - deploring Brit-

Officially, two of the three major disputes in English rug-by have now been resolved - the row with the clubs and the feud between the game's rulers. But the great split with the other was not told that the Sky TV Five Nations countries has yet

ing to use the tyres, with the result that the meeting was cancelled as a World Championship event.

FOUR-TEAN CHAMEPONISHE Qualifying round first leg (Middlesbrough); Brodiert SO, Middlesbrough 24, Jule 21, Sootish Monarths 21. Second leg (pawieth); brodiet 33 Eastbourne 23, London 20, Residing 20. Progressive scores to date; lpswich 67, Eastbourne 47, London 30, Peterborough 28, Reeding 20.

Tim Herrman returns to Britain's Davis Cup team for the Euro-Africa zone Group Two tie against Ghana in Acora from 12 to 1.4 July. The British No 1 from Oxfordshire missed the 4-1 victory over Slovenia in Newsostie last month after going down with a virus.

GREAT ERITAIN DAVIS CUP TEAM (Euro Africa zone Group Two v Chana, Acora, 12-14 July): T Heatism (Cofordshire), & Raseddel (unstracted), To travels Nick Goold (Acon).

STELLA ARTOIS GRASS COURT CHAMPION.

SHIPS (Queen's Class, Londord) Quarter-dinate. a Bectior (Get) bt P Rafter (Aus) T-5-6-4; M Oremans (Neth) bt C Singer (Ger) 6-4 7-5.

DRS WOMERTS DI ASSESS

DPS WOMEN'S CLASSIC (Edgheston Pri-ory Clab, Birmingheen) Querrer-finals: N Faudat (Fr) bt L Courtols (Bel) 6-0-2; 8 Schult:-McCarthy (Meth) bt L Netland (Let) 6-2 7-8; M McGrath (US) bt E Callens (Bel) 6-3 6-2.

3 6-2.
MEEN'S CONTENENTIAL GRASS COLLERY TOUR-MAMEENT (Receivalen, Notherlands) Quar-ter-Sessite: R Reneberg (US) by Fetterien (Den 6-4 4-6 6-2; S Smiton (Fr) by L Pees (Ind) 6-3 7-6; P Hasthuis (Neth) by R Hosiock (Neth) 6-4 7-6; J Bjorkman (Swe) by J Stemerink (Neth) 6-1 6-7 7-8.

TODAY'S NUMBER

Mans is a bloody good show." **QUOTES OF** THE WEEK

You do not play had because you go to a disco or you drink something or smoke. There must be other reasons. Berti Vogts, German coach on the drinking debate at Euro 96.

It's not my problem whether it crossed the line. If it did I would remind you: this is how England won the 1966 World Cup. Bobby Mikhailov, Bulgaria's goalkeeper, after television replays showed that Romania had been denied an equaliser.

Terry [Venables] felt this was one particular line that he was able to pass by. Response from the FA to Uri Geller's offer to psyche up the England team. It could only happen in Britain. At the French Open last week they even allowed Yannick Noah to sing a song on Centre Court. David Lloyd, British Davis Cup captain, on the decision to put Tim Henman, Britain's No 1, on an outside court at Queen's Club.

Organ is on song for Wales

In a training match yesterday at Milton Keynes, Wales beat Scotland 3-0 in the first of three games over the weekend as both teams start their buildup for September's World Cup Preliminary Tournament in Sardinia, writes Bill Colwill.

to settle down it was no surprise that the first half was goalless, Russelsheim.

the interval with two goals from lan Hughes-Rowland and a third from Simon Organ, mak ing his debut for Wales. On the domestic front there

but Wales took command after

is surprise news from Slough that they have parted company with their coach Ian Jennings two weeks after he led them to With both teams taking time a silver medal in the European settle down it was no surprise Club Championship in

Sheffield v Scottleh Monarchs; Swindon v Eleter v Poole v Odord, Thind lag: Coverdy v Wolver-hempton v Cradley Heath & Stole v Lang Ester Feurth log: Eastbourne v Reading v Peterborough

ATHLETICS: Olympic trials/AAA National Champ-iorahlps (Birmingtom).

TENNES: Stella Artois mens's tourna (Queen's Club. London): DFS women's ol (Edgbaston Priory Club. Birmingham).

WEEKEND FIXTURES

Other sports

TOMORROW

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP GROUP C Russia v Germany (3.0) (at Old Trafford)

Football

TODAY Football

dia of traignd v Sothriz (8.30)

Rugby League Rugby Union

TEST MATCH: New Zopland v Scotland (3.30am) TOUR MATCH: NSW Country v Wales (5.30am) Hockey

INTERNATIONAL MAYCHES: Most: Netherlands v Germany (3.0) (or Milton Heynes stadium); Wales v Scotland (6.0) (at Milton Keynes club ground). Womens Great Brosis v Germany (1.0) (at Mil-Speedway

SESSENDARII

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LINEMENDING NATIONS CUP: 1 The Netherlands 8 faults; 2 Betgum 12; 3 or Greet Setzer, Switzerand 16; 5 France 18.25; 6 Canada 40,75, 68: Suttern (N Switzer) 12 faults, 4 Calls; Gritos (R Smith) 4. clear; Granusch U Whitpiker) 4, 4: Twostep (M Whiteiler) clear.

Football REPUBLIC OF RELAND TEAM (US Cap v Bo-bria, Glants Stadium, East Rotherford, NJ, tonight; Given (Biacktum); Reming (Mid-dlesbrugh), Conningham (Wirthledon), Ker-

Ringsom Rovers v South Water (6.30t; Hunslet v Presont (3.30t; Leigh v Branney (6.0t; Swinton v York (6.50) Hockey PRINCENSIONAL MATCHES: Macc Germany v Palestan (12-0) (et Matton Reynes statium); Gest Bettan v Nethertenes (4-0) fat Matton Hymes sta-dbar), Wosteric Wales v Scotland (E. Olam) for Allicon Reynes club ground); Germany v Spen (1,00 and of Million Reynes stationin; Germany v Spen v Netherlands (2-0) fat Million Reynes stationin).

Speedway POUR TEAS CHARPIONSKIP Qualifying rooms third lag: Scotters Monarche v Bootbref v Sherifield v Moddebrough (6.30) (or Glesgow). CONFERSICE; LEAGUE: Eastbourne v Major-hall (J. O): Linkingow v Berwick (2.30); Swindon v Reading (6.0). CONTERENCE LEAGUE PROVENÇIAL: Gold Cup (3.0) (at Buston).

AMERICAN FOOTBALL: World League: London Monarchs v Rhem Fire (3.0) (et Standon) ionships (Birmingham). CYCLING: late of Man international week.

COLP: European Seniors Classic (Castle Royer, Medicinhead); Northumberland Challerge (Sis-ley Hall, Northumberland).

TENNES: Siella Ariola Champiorishio (Queen's Club. Landonis DFS Classic (Edisbasion Prony Club. Hism-

Rugby Union New Zeeland Maoris scored three tries in the second half to beat Western Samoa 28-15 in Auckland yesterday, It was Western Samoa's last match on their seven-game tour. Bridgend have made up for the loss of Bridgend have made up for the loss of Wales three-quarter Gareth Thomas to Pontypridd by securing as new players. Pontypool'a capitain Wayne Morris will their new scrum-half and his team-meter Kevin Walter, the youngar brother of Wales cap Nigel, will also make the

switch as a winger in the pack. Maestag's Chris Stephens Joins slong with Weles Students' hooker Christian Fanis from Ceerphay and Justin Burned from Neath in the back row, with Deter Mailland on the wind. Peter Maitland on the wing.

Pear Mercano on the mag.

Paul Turner, the former Wales fly-half, has agreed to join the Courage League
Two club Bedford, as player-coach.

Turner was controversially sacked as player-coach at First DMsion Sale last morth and an action group falled to have him reinstated at Wednesday's annual meeting. Salling

A 10th, seventh and fourth yesterday pushed the defending champions, John Maricks and Ian Walker, up to fourth overall in the 470 European Championship at Hayling Island yesterday, but, with one race remaining, the Russians appear to have gold in the bag with bronze the best consoletion hope for Entain. Bethan Rasgart and Suc Carr moved into the too six when they won

Britain. Bethan Raggett and Sue Carr
moved into the top six when they won
the 11th race, boosting confidence that
they can turn in an Olympic performance
when things go well.

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Berestin and E Durmatnov (Rus) 42.5pts, 2
Westerland and H Wallin (Swe) 63: 3 H Rocte
and N Barrelo (Por) 65.5; 4 J Merricks and I
Walker (GS)-70.

Spectracy's world governing body will de-cide before the end of the month whether to ben the 1.3 rebel riders who refused to race in last weekend's World Chem-pionship oversess final. The FIM's in-ternational judicial court will consider all the evidence on 28 time, including the ident's claims that have maken in race. riders' claims that they refused to race because they believed new tyres intro-duced by the FIM were too dangerous. Only three riders – World long track champion Kelvin Tatum (London), overseas champion Ryan Sulfivan (Petertorough) and Mark Lemon (Oxford) — were wilf-

CHALLENGE MATCH (Shefflekt): World Stars 35 Cartsberg Danes. Swrizzaning
Swirinding's world governing body may relax some of the tough anti-doping penalties it approved last November. Cornel Marcufescu, the director of the international Swirinming Federation office in Lausanne, said yesterday proposals for change had been made because of inconsistencies in the current rules and experience in appeals cases. New proposals foresee a minimum two-year suspension for a first case of anabolic steroid use, a reduction of the present

standi use, a reduction of the present four-year ban, and a ban from four years up to life for a second offence. Monica Seles yesterday confirmed her entry as a wild card for her first ap-pearance in next week's Direct Line in-surance Championships in Easthourne. There had bean fears that Seles' first appearance in Britain since she was shakhad at a Mambaris thurmament in

appearance in British since she was stabbed at a Hemburg tournament in April 1983 would be scrippered by a ragging shoulder Injury, which kept her out of action for three months earlier this year. Seles and Steffi Graff are among nine of the world's top 15 scheduled for Eastbourne. The others include Conchita Martinez, Jana Novotna, Chanda Rubin, Lindsay Devenport, Mary Jo Fernandez, Kirrilloo Dara and Mary Pierce. The Northern Electric Open men's rep. The Northern Electric Open men's ten-nis tournament, which was due to be staged at Newcastle from 22 to 28 key has been canceled. The David Lloyd Cub at Castle Farm, which was hosting the ATP Challerger event, has been un-dergoing re-development and the work will not be completed in time for the tournament to be held.

The position in Scottish ra-

dio's network chart reached this weekend by "Purple Heather", the Euro 96 song recorded by Rod Stewart and the Scotland squad. A good omen for today's showdown at Wembley?

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Cricket Correspondent

It is not often that England's se-lectors find themselves contemplating the Hock rather than the hemlock but, after England's powerful win at Edg-baston, that is precisely what they would have been doing had tonight's pre-selection dinner

Warwick put state his love to actually taken place. Instead, with none of the five selectors being within 100 miles

a ritual teg gloom with

DEREK PRINGLE

Warwickshire 306

Cricket does not come much

more begrudging than it did at Headingley yesterday. On a

slow pitch starting to show signs of wear, and with oeither side

wanting to concede ground to the other, this clash of the utans

moved at a tectonic rate. Only

a workmanlike century by Mar-

tyn Moxon enlivened an other-

son was the long-suffering skip-

per at Yorkshire, is clearly

enjoying a career back in civvies. So far this season, when his eggshell digits have allowed,

be has been in marvellous form,

and he when he reached 33, he

joined six other current players,

in passing 20,000 runs for his

Apart from a runless half an

hour after lunch, which re-

vealed his intentions of a hig

score, he kept his innings tick-

ing along at much the same

pace, sweeping and driving both

spinners when their line and

length wavered, even striking

Neil Smith for a buge six over

He oeeded partners and

Michael Bevan proved an un-

flinching ally after Michael-

Vaughan and David Byas had

both been bowled, and he

shared the first of two 100 part-

nerships Moxon was involved in.

the other coming with Tony Mc-

season, Bevan is the leading

controversial bat-throwing in-

Raj Maru in the Championship

match at Edgbaston, took dras-

tic action to prevent the possi-

bility of being caught off the

The Warwickshire captain

elected to discard his bat and

would therefore oot be given

out if he was caught off the glove as a batsman has to be holding

Richard Little, a spokesman

glove by close fielders.

cideot last month.

In 11 first-class innings this al boundaries.

edging an arm ball from resumes today.

run-sorer in the country having heavily in his unbeaten fifty and

scored 869 runs at an average one that Warwickshire will oo

of just under 80. His dismissal, doubt try and stem when play

Reprieve for Reeve

.The Test and County Cricket .. for the TCCB, said: "We have Board has confirmed that no acissued a letter to the counties

tion will be takeo against Der- about this matter asking them

mot Reeve following his to talk to their players about it.

Reeve, hatting against would not like it happening in Hampshire's slow left-armer the future because it is not in

Grath either side of tea.

Moxon, who before this sea-

Yorkshire 293-4

wise dull day.

Atherton in Chester-le-Street ... they will have to content themselves with picking the team for Lord's next Thursday by mobile phone. As things went so well at Edgbaston, the only thing which might run up a decent sized hill is an injury to Nick

Considering Edghaston is his home ground, it was ironic that Knight broke the little finger of his right hand while batting there. It is the latest frustration of the other - Graham Gooch in a career that has so far failed in Chelmsford is at least five to find cohesion. Knight, eager

for although Dermot Reeve's cautions field settings made it

difficult for him to score his

runs, he did not look in trouble

at any stage and scarcely played

Reeve is having something of

a curious season by his upbeat standards. Billed as cricket's Mr

Positive, Reeve has had a

change of polarity and what with

yesterday's oegative field set-

tings following his bat throwing incident of few weeks ago (over

which, Lord's said yesterday, no action will be taken), he is

clearly feeling the pressure of trying to top the achievements

cantion was understandable,

and by limiting Yorkshire's lead.

he is trying to give his spinners a chance of winning the match

oo Monday when Yorkshire

their wickets more dearly than

a pound of truffles. When Mox-

on went 45 minutes before the

close, to a smart running catch

by Andy Moles, it was only the

oo ooe.
Taking an obvious liking to

Pollock - who after six weeks of

the county grind is oot looking

the same bowler who peppered

England oo his Test debut at

Centurion Park -- he clipped the

through the on-side for sever-

It was a shot that featured

What Dermot has done is hit on

a grey area in the law but we

Little confirmed the umpires

took no action but reported the

incident to the TCCB, who then consulted the MCC.

changing the rules because it is actually covered under the spir-

it of the game," he said. "But if

it was to happen again, we

would deem that unaccept-

"We have oot looked into

the spirit of the game."

fourth wicket to fall.

Spotting this, Yorkshire sold

bat last.

Yet in some ways Reeve's

of the previous two years.

Moxon lifts

lively innings

will be fit, though Raymond Illingworth is likely to have either Yorkshire's David Byas or Alec Stewart on standby

made it difficult to assess just how well some of the bowlers performed, too. Peter Martin wrongly missed out to Min Patel, but Patel, having played, ought to be retained for Lord's despite the ease with which In-

The first-Test pitch will have

dia's batsmen play spin.

By debut standards, Alan
Mulially also had a good game.

for some continuity, claims he though a lack of in-swing meant his line at times verged on the negative. His place is safe for the moment, but he will be pushed by a resurgent Darren Gough, eager to return to the limelight,

and bowling well. Romie Irani was another whose first taste of Test cricket has been pleasant, and. his strident 34 in as many balls was crucial in kick-starting the England innings. However, his bowling was friendlier than a gameshow host's patter, and his progress as an all-rounder will

feel they need his bowling, and whether or not he can make the necessary improvements.

He may of course retain his position solely as a batsman, despite Illingworth's stated preference for a suitable all-rounder at No 6 and, should Illingworth's view hold sway, he may find himself competing later in the summer with Craig White and Adam Hollioake

Either way, Irani will play at Lord's, which means further ignominy for John Crawley, who has a strained hamstring. He has incurred more than his fair

share of bad luck, and there is a growing feeling that he may be one of those unfortunates destined to leave the game with their talents unfulfilled. Fortunately for Crawley, both youth

and talent are firmly on his side. If he needs to take succour from anywhere, he should look no further than Chris Lewis and Nasser Hussain. A year ago both were pondering uncertain futures. Barring injury, they can both ink the remainder of the summer's Tests into their diaries.

Muster digs in to uproot **Woodforde**

JOHN ROBERTS reports from Queen's Club

After all the sniping about Thomas Musier's elevation in the rankings oo a platform of clay courts, the Austrian can now point out wryly that be has won more grass-court matches this season than Pete Sampras and Andre Agassi put together.

The leading Americans have yet to set foot here, of course, but Muster's determination to prove that he is not exactly can-non fodder on the fast stuff has already been rewarded with an appearance in the semi-finals of the Stella Artois Champi-

His biggest test so far is likely to come today, wheo he plays Stefan Edberg, one of the game's greatest exponents of serve and volley. The 30-year-old Swede's revitalised form in his valedictory season continued with a spirited win against the Amercian sixth seed, Todd Mar-

tin, 5-7, 6-4, 6-2. It will be Edberg's first semifinal of the year, and the contrast in styles and the gulf in experience oo the surface should make for an entertain-ing contest. Having said that, Edberg, the No 14 seed, has won their seven previous match-

Muster, starting with his Davis Cup success agaiost South Africa's Marcos Ondruska in Johannesburg in February, has oow won four senior matches on grass, the most impressive being yesterday's quar-ter-final victory against Australia's Mark Woodforde,

Woodforde knows his way round the lawns. Although he has not advanced beyond the fourth round of the Wimbledon singles in 10 attempts, he has woo the doubles title for the past three years in partoership with his compatriot, Todd Woodbridge.

Having made the top-seeded Muster look a novice in the opening set, Woodforde was as impressed as everyooe else with his opponent's stirring comeback, but complained bitterly about the Austrian's behav-

"He was shouting out 'faggot' to me, and I did not take kindly to that," Woodforde said. "He kept it up throughout the pulled stomach muscle.

match. He doesn't do it to the top guys. I don't respect the guy ever. No other player be haves like that.

He got away with it. The um-pire just called the score. If 1 beard it, the umpire must have heard it. We have a long history of playing each other. He wants to beat me as badly as I want to heat him. I'm upset."

A puzzled Muster denied the accusation. "I can't remember that I said anything to him personally," he said. "I say many things to myself. I call my-self many things when I play, but not my opponents. If he has something to complain about, he should say it to me.

Whatever words came to Muster's lips, his grunting was loud and clear as he drove himself into the match, showing the confidence to increase the power of his serves and countering Woodforde's advances to the net with pounding groundstrokes and the occasional deft

Woodforde may have thought he had finally breached the Austrian's resolve wheo he broke for 3-2 in the third set, but this merely galvansied Muster. He broke hack immediately for 3-3 - revelling in a 16-shot rally in the process - and then crucially for 5-3, stranding Woodforde with a lob. Muster even had the audicity to serve the match out with an ace.

Boris Becker, the No 2 seed continued his rehabilitation after recovering from a thigh injury, advancing to the last four with a 7-5, 6-4 win against Australia's Patrick Rafter.

Both players found difficulty in controlling their shots in the opening set, chiefly because of the windy conditions, but the quality of Becker's play improved once he had gained the initiative. Becker, who acknoweldges

that his career was "born on grass here in Londoo", seems keen to make it official by be-coming Lord of the Manor of Wimbledoo. The hereditary ti-tle has been in Earl Spencer's family since 1744, and Becker may be among the bidders for it wheo it is put up for auction. "As Earl Speecer hasn't spoken to me personally. I can't talk

Gabriela Sabatini has withdrawn from the Wimbldoo started once I was ahead, and hampionships because of a

about it in public," Becker said

depend on how much England His hounce and pace are handy,

Run machine: Graham Gooch forces on the off-side on his way to his 123rd century

Elementary hundred for Gooch

Titchard endures to Durham's dismay

HENRY BLOFELD

Chances were therefore at a reports from Chelmsford premium and Tony McGrath Northants 214 and 133-0 made the most of an early re-Essex 308 prieve when he was dropped by Shaun Pollock at slip off Giles

Sherlock Holmes was needed at the County Ground, not to bat or bowl, but to solve the mystery of the "Ball Which Swung The original ball was lost in the 37th over and when it was found South African fast bowler 14 overs later it had acquired a remarkable ability to swing something which it had shown no signs of doing earlier - and

completely disrupted Essex. Having gone into hunch at 200

reports from Chester-le-Street

Steve Titchard gritted his teeth and dropped anchor here yes-

terday to play one of the more

painstaking and indeed painful innings of his life, But it was ex-

actly what Lancashire needed

oo this pitch and it paved the

way for more fluent half-cen-

turies by Warren Hegg and Ian Austin, leaving Durham to

contemplate another difficult

day on which much of their

Lancashire 264 and 395-8

Durham 181

reached his 123rd century with ball which was soft, sent off went on thumping his left leg thunderous certainty, they some of the groundstaff to down the pitch and driving venthunderous certainty, they found Paul Taylor an entirely different proposition. He took 5 for 16 m 48 balls, including Gooch and Nasser Hussain to balls that swung back into the right hander.

John Emburey had come on to bowl the 37th over of the innings and in his first over, Hussain, who in his present mood would make light of any challenge, danced down the pitch and drove him far into the gar-The ball could not be found and turn out to be enough. the unpires chose another.

The good ocws for Durham

was that Melvyn Betts came

back well after his no-ball tor-

ments of the previous day. He had clearly put in much hard

work on his run-up and deliv-

ery strides. He transgressed

only once, moved the ball away

from the bat at a healthy pace

and only fielding lapses denied

him some reward for a perfor-

ooe area of coocern for

Durham. The other was that

their attacks bowled moch too

Errors in the field were just

mance full of character.

search for the old one. When they found it it was returned to the game and suddenly began to swing like a boomerang. Taylor bowled with excellent

control, taking full advantage of this unexpected bonus and giving Northamptonshire a chance to get back into the match, which their opening batsmen built on in the evening.,

Only Stuart Law was able to cope and his 40 stretched Esdens behind the sightscreen. sex's lead to 94, which still may

reached new depths of medi-ocrity. the increasingly impressive leg-before with a delivery of full length, his first ball to the new

wickets by pitching the ball up

and giving it time to do some-

And then there was the enig-matic Steve Lugsden. He will

not be 20 until next month and

has the rare gift of genuine, if

extremely raw pace. But in striving for it in this his first

Championship game for two

seasons after back problems, he

bowled 10 wides, plus a good deal of other stuff that did not

demand a stroke. But when he

omously in the arc between wide mid-on and extra-cover. He is batting as well as ever and there is oo finer sight on the county circuit.

Another unusual touch to a bizarre day came towards the end of the Essex innings when a fawn suddenly appeared on the ground in front of the scoreboard. Looking rather startled, it proceeded to do half a lap of bonour before leaping the boundary and almost landing in a woman's lap before disap-Earlier, Gooch, looking more pearing. Holmes always wore a Gooch, who was apparently than ever like the Pirate King deer-stalker, so he might have for I after Graham Gooch had unhappy with the replacement from the Pirates Of Penzance, solved that ooe, too.

batsman was a wide. Then when

Titchard was hit on the helmet

by one that failed to bounce as

expected, he could not produce

the yorker that was surely re-

it the full grind. He was unde-terred neither by another blow

oo the body nor by the fact that

Lugsden's follow-through usu-ally left him within glaring dis-

tance of the batsman. By the

time he did succumb to a short

Titchard got stuck in and gave

quired oext ball.

got it right he was a rare hand-ful, though he appeared to be had held thiogs together for

a slow learner. For instance, three hours and put the game

having removed Mike Atherton out of Durham's reach.

Drug tests could fall foul of the law

A High Court judge, ruling on an injunction brought against the International Tennis Federation by Mats Wilander and Karel Novacek, has decided that the ITF's drugs procedure may be in restraint of trade under English law and may also be everything the ITF did, they also in breach of the provisions of the European Community, writes John Roberts.

If this is the case, it could have serious implications for anti-doping procedures in sport at large. The two players, who strongly deny any allegations of drug use, are challenging the validity of the ITF's tests.

Wilander, the former world No 1, and Novacek, a Czech Davis Cup player, are alleged to have tested positive for cocaioe at last year's French Open. Mr Justice Lightman coo-

cluded his decisioo by saying: Irrespective of the outcome of this account the ITF would I think be well advised to to reconsider Rule 53 [anti-doping procedure] and its drafting as matter of urgency." An ITF spokesperson point-

ed out that the case had dealt

denied that they took anything and have said that there must be something wrong with the testing. Almost everything the laboratory did, they seem to have done badly, and almost seem to have dooe badly.

"We are quite happy to go to have the players tied hand and foot and would look at all the evideoce and say yes or no. But this is oot a true appeals hear-ing, where Mats and Karel can

have a full say.
"This is clearly not the same procedure as the one adopted by the IOC and many other sports governing bodies. The Court of Appeal said early in the hearing that it is a pity that all the governing bodies do not have one unified rule."

THE INDEPENDENT

Britannic Assurance County Championship (Second day of four; today 11.0) Durham v Laucasahire CHERTER-LE-STREET: Lancashire (5)ts) are 476 nors ahead of Durham (4) with two second-insings victoris standing. Lorossive von 1098 LANCASHIEC - First lowings 264 (1 D Austin Total (SB overs) Total (SB overs) Fall (cont): 9-159. Fall (cont): 9-159. Fall (cont): 9-159. Fall (cont): 9-159. Fall (cont): 9-1-199. Fall (cont): 9-1-1 5-213, 7-388, 8-390, To batt: P J Marrin, — Bowling: Brown 17-1-81-1; Wood Lugsden 19-1-65-3; Bentison 3-0 Umpires: J C Beldentone and B Umplace: J & Belderstone and B I Esseex v Northmempton: CHELMSPORD: Northmemptone are 339 russ absed of Essex: second-lixelings vickarts standl Northmemptonehre won toes NORTHAMSPONSHINE - First in ESSEX - First innings (Overnight: 63 for O) (A) Gooch live b Taylor Overnight: 63 for O) (A) Gooch live b Taylor N Sussan flow b Taylor N Sussan flow b Taylor R C Law c A R Roberts b Periber P J Prichard c Capel b Taylor R C Rand c Spaley b Taylor R C Rand c Spaley b Taylor A P Cowan b Taylor S J W Andrew c Taylor b Penbert J H Chats c Basley b Taylor Lattan (AS), bd. wd.) Total (79.2 overs)

Falt: 1.98, 2-202, 3-230, 4-230, 5-236, 8-249, 7-254, 6-279, 6-299. Bowling: Tuylor 22, 2-2-88-7; Mailender 17-3-73-0; Embury: 6-1-32-0; Penbertly 16-4-57-2 Capel 16-2-52-1. NORTHAMPYONSHIRE - Second Innings

X Greenfield c Russell b Watsh ...
N J Lentam e Bel b Watsh ...
II R C Law c Russel b Smith ...
IP Moores c Russel b Alleyne ...
ID K Selichury run out ...
V C Drakes b Watsh
J D Lewry c Hancock b Alleyne ...
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Falt 1.14. 2-27. 33. 4-59. 5-Total (89.1 overs) 231
Fast 1-14, 2-27, 3-33, 4-59, 5-82, 6-124, 7-176, 6-184, 9-219.
Bowling: Watsh 27-9-57-6; Smith 22,1-4-73-1; Alleyne 17-5-48-2; Ball 7-3-10-0; Davis 16-5-31-0.

short, apparently choosing to ignore how Peter Martin and bowling and oot-field cricket CRICKET SCOREBOARD

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To bait: TN R Monga, R Drawd, "M Azherud-din, A Kumble, P L Mhembrey, S L V Raju, S A Anloia, J Shrazin. Bowling: Malcolm 6-2-22-0; Herns 3-0-17-0; Dean 6-1-23-1; DeFrenta 3-0-15-0. Usephras: K E Palmer and J D Bond. Other match Yorkshire v Warwickshire

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| Chapple 22-6- | SWANSEA: Somerset (Spts) are 11 runs behind Glamorgen (6) with three first-in- | Total (for 0, 8 overs) | Plarson 48-7-158-6; Simmons 7-2-16-0. | Warwickshire won toss WARWICKSHERE - First linnings 306 (D P | standay. | and will continue to defend | International | |
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| 89 | P & L Hollowey c and b Croft | hind Middlesex (5) with six first-innings wickets standing. | Total (for 6, 72.1 overs)222 | Extras (b6, \$7, w1, nb10)24 Total (for 4, 117 overs)293 | Fall: 1-7, 2-190, 3-272, | A sample tests positive and to | 113CA2 WIIG ITCOM | |
| 91 | R A Parsons c Cottay b Kendrick2 P D Sowier lbw b Croft73 | Michigan won toss | Fell: 1-23, 2-44, 3-44, 4-62, 5-65, 6-222. | Fact 1-35, 2-58, 3-159, 4-271. | Did not but: G W White, fM Garaway, M J | be present at the B sample test. | 0891 525 075 | |
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Turks, kilts and Sicilian dancers

porters on the M6; Rovolleyball in Newcastle; a Manchester City defender playing nightclub DJ to Germans. The first week of Euro 96 has been one of surreal images, occa-sionally sublime football and, in some places, a mounting sense of "event".

In others, ootably Londoo and elsewhere south of Birmingham, you would have been hard-pressed to realise Euro 96 was going on if it was not for the extensive media coverage.

As the tournament progresses, the capital is likely to discard its customary self-absorption but, for fans from Penzance to Dover, the ooly solution is to bead north. Which is a pity hecause, like most things, you get out of Euro 96 what you put into it.

Many people are getting a lot out of it, particularly foreign vis-itors. The message from the Football Supporters' Association, which has "fan embassies" in each host city, is generally positive. Apart from the constant problems with tickets - getting them and affording them - people are enjoying themselves.

The football has been fairly good, although we are still waiting for the game, and perfor-mance, which will ignite the tournament. This afternoon may meet the first need, it is also the biggest test of fan behaviour.

To date that has been the most encouraging feature of the tournament. In London last Saturday night, Swiss and English fans were drinking together in Leicester Square; in Birmingham on Monday Dutch and Scots were conga-ing around the city centre; in Nottingham on Tuesday local cation that the FA's 95 per cent

schoolchildren, having seen the Croats taking their shirts off during the game with Turkey, took theirs off too to mutual applause, all in pouring rain.

One week gone and rich memories are already being created. These are mine...

SAT game, and Engfade. And that's who kick-off Umbro's media

the Swiss. It was goalless at halftime, theo Graham Kelly, the FA's chief executive, swapped from centre-forward to goalkeeper. Just a coincidence. The main event is equally

anti-climactic. Sitting at the tunnel end rather than the press box, I'm able to experience the full delight and despair of watching England. The opening ceremony is the perfect warmup and the national anthem has not been sung more lustily since the Dutch visited during the Falklands War.

The joy fades as the game goes oo but, despite poor seg-regation, the Swiss are left to celebrate in peace. Move on to Birmingham where be-kilted Scots are already in evidence.

Leave Birming-ham, and so miss the bizarre

sight of Kubilay Türkyilmaz in a kilt at Villa JUNE

Park. Instead see Germany hrush aside the Czech Republic at Old Trafford. Swathes of

empty seats are the first indi-

A week of football and seven days of Europe at play. A kaleidoscope of images will leave a lasting impression, says Glenn Moore

self-out figure involves some site, designed with FSA input, creative accounting. Intrigued and attracting 200-700 fans a by the Czechs' Euro 96 song which sounds like a reworkin of the old Chelsea favourite: "Blue is the Colour".

After the council discovered that foreigners associate Manchester with football and music, 20 local nightclubs have grouped together to attract visiting supporters. Visit South, where Liam (Galiagher)and Patsy (Kensit) are alleged to have first met, to find Kit Symons spinning the discs and exuberant German fans on the dance floor (not the team).

Manchester's pro-Europe campaign continues with a flag-throwing exhibition by a Sicilian dance

troupe at a Catalan bar. Back to Birmingham afterwards by train to see Scotland/Netherlands. The local service from New Street to Aston appears to be running on alcohol fumes but the atmosphere is intoxicating in more ways than one. Scots and Dutch share pints and swap scarves outside Villa Park, applaud each others' anthems inside it.

After Swiss cow-bells and Gonda hats, the fashion notes are provided by the Dutch who sport bowler hats and police helmets moulded from orange

High praise from supporters those there, the for Birmingham council's campmade up for it.

A morning of football culture. Manchester's Art Galleries have caught the mood with several exhibitions. One item features the Last Supper arranged

in team formation. English 4-4-2 looks stronger than the continental sweeper system, which has Judas anchoring the midfield. Also a selection of possible team shirts: several candidates spring to mind for the strip decorated with lemons, A photograph exhibition at the Cornerhouse includes a marvellously evocative shot of Carlos Alberto with a gleaming Jules Rimet trophy.

Afternoon at Antield where The Kop is decorated with a banner reading: "Peterborough Italians welcome the Azzuri Media centre less chaotic than Villa Park but failure of closecircuit TV means press conference is unavailable. At the next desk, an Italian makes do by gleefully reporting the latest "England players in nightclub" scandal.

Afterwards watch Turkey v Croatia on television - the match proves the best advert so far for watching games in the flesh rather than on TV. The game is awful but, according to those there, the atmosphere

This is due to the Turks who have besieged the ground since midday, driving around pumping car horns and grid-locking the city. There has been no chorus of anger, however, especially not from Nottingham's three Turkish restaurants

expecting to see daubed over the media entrance and Terry Ven-

nightclub incident I begin to wish I'd prepared for the evening's England-Scotland press match with a drinking session instead of an early night. It is not hard to see why he was

such an inspiring captain.
The Scots, who claim to have "been on the sauce" all week, win 3-2. Maybe Robbo was right. The English press are now desperate for an English win at Wembley.

> Though office THU sweeps abound, capital seems resistant to Euro 96 fever. A num-ber of factors JUNE

are blamed: the lack of foreign fans - it being England's base, the absence of a central governing body to put on events, its customary self-absorbtion and the many competing attractions.

An effort is being made oo the South Bank with a Feast of Football exhibition. However, on visiting the Queen Elizabeth Hall find staff unaware of a

video and photograph presen-tatioo in their own foyer. There is also a hig screen (made of 25 standard TVs) at Coin Street but, arriving 20 minutes into the Swiss/Dutch match, find just 18 people and one policeman Arrive at Bish-

watching and the viewing gantry roped off as an "unsafe struc-ture". Attendance, which douam. Abbey half hies by the end, includes expecting to see down-and-outs, office workers on the way home, and an American family whose football-playing soo insists on watching it. A call to the London FSA stalking elicits another tale of ticket woe

-with a happy ending. An Ausstead Bryan Robson gives such tralian hoocymoon couple of after suspension and Vogts will until tomorrow. a passionate defeoce of the Dutch descent left home before their tickets arrived. The FA prove no help but Mastercard step in with two corporate tickets for the Swiss/Dutch match to show the buman side of sponsorship. PR gimmick? Maybe, but the Aussies are not complaining.

> Back at Bisham and an uneasy truce betweeo

players and press, united in common cause. What the atmosphere will be like on Monday if Scotland

win does not bear contempla-Quote of the week Ian Wright, on seeing the dragon emerge

breathing fire and smoke during the opening ceremony, said: "George Graham used to come into the dressing room like

Request of the week From two Portuguese fans to the FSA office in Sheffield: "Where's the

Spanish fear attacking art of Djorkaeff

Spain and France, tipped by many to reach at least the last four, could unleash their attacking skills when they meet in Group B at Elland Road tonight a repeat of the 1984 final.

The Spanish need to win having drawn their opening game with Bulgaria, who sub-sequently beat Romania. France should simply be more relaxed than they were in beating Romania 1-0 last weekend. 'It's in the second matches

that teams' strengths are liber-ated," France's coach, Aimé

Jacquet, said. "In their first game Spain played under great pressure and did not reach their true level. Against France we can expect to see a different Spain." Spaio's central defender, Miguel Angel Nadal, who sits out the match completing a twomatch suspension, made his team-mates' intentions clear. "We're going for the three points. We can't speculate with

a draw, then a win against Ro-mania, we must win," he said. The Spanish are wary of the threat of striker Youri Djorkaoff. The Atletico Madrid midfielder Jose Luis Caminero

They have a similar playing style to Spain and they have a man like Djorkaeff with more inspiration and talent.'

The last time Spain met France was in the 1984 final won 2-0 by Michel Platini's French side in Paris, Both sides are unbeaten in about two years -France in 24 matches since Jacquet took charge after their failure to reach the 1994 World Cup finals. Spain have gone 17 games unbeaten since falling to Italy in the World Cup quarter-

finals in Boston.

Neither coach will name his side until just before kick-off, but France will probably be unchanged, but Javier Clement, has hinted he will make four changes to the Spanish side. Having lost the striker Juan Antonio Pizzi through suspension, Alfonso, the substitute who equalised against Bulgaria, looks set to lead the attack.

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The Deportivo La Coruña midfielder Donato, the Real Madrid forward Jose Amavisca said: They are a well scructured and the Valencia defender Jorge team, quite solid at the back.

Otero also look likely to play.

Vogts keeps cool as **Basler lets off steam**

Berti Vogts, the German coach, yesterday played down some petulant protests from his temperamental midfield player, Mario Basler.

The Bayern Munich-bound Basler, struggling with an ankle injury, was quoted as saying Vogts did not talk to him and did oot regard him as a firstchoice player. "I haven't just had an operation to sit on the bench here," he told a Berlin news-

However, Vogts said from the team's training camp in Ches-hire: "We have talked about it. The chapter is closed."

Another midfielder, Dieter Eilts, who was a team-mate of Basler at Werder Bremen this season, added: "There is great harmony in our ranks. We are not going to get knocked off the

Vogts has not announced his team to face Russia at Old Trafford tomorrow, but Jürgen Germany v Russia Old Trafford

choose between Oliver Bierhoff and Stefan Kuntz as Klinsmann's striking partner.
The coach said he was de-

lighted to welcome back the former Tottenham man. "He will give us an extra boost," Vogts said. "He is the leading personality in the team,"

Vogts said he was oot worried that six of his players bad picked up yellow cards in the 2-0 win against the Czech Republic last Sunday and might be hesitant against the Russians, "You care still close players down even wheo you have a yellow card to your name," Vogts said. The Russian defender, Yev-

geni Bushmanov, will take oo further part in the tournament owing to an ankle injury sus-tained in the 2-1 defeat by Italy on Tuesday. Like the Germans.

Boksic and Boban doubts hand Vlaovic his chance

Goran Vlaovic is pressing for a place in Croatia's starting lineup after his dramatic matchwinning appearance as a substitute agaist Turkey at the City Ground on Tuesday.

The 23-year-old forward, who is being chased by both Valencia and Fiorentina, is likely to play in place of Alen Boksic, who has both a cut head and a foot injury. The captain, Zvonimir Boban, is also doubtful after straining medial ligaments in a knee. The midfielder Mario Stanic is another doubt with a

thigh strain. The Croats' coach, Miroslav Blazevic, said he was not entirely happy with the way his side had played in beating Turkey, adding. "It can only get better." He added that he felt he had the strength in depth in his squad to cope easily enough with any enforced changes.

The Danes, in contrast to the

Hillsborough Tomorrow, 6.0pm

well, producing a disciplined display to hold classy Portugal to a 1-1 draw last Sunday, Peter Schmeichel, who kept them in the match at Hillsborough, said: "It was a good result for us against a very accomplished team. Croatia have a lot of talent as well, but we are happy with our team play and morale which is very high."

Denmark's fitness doubts

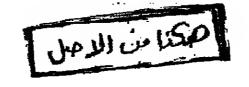
revolve around the versatile Ipswich Town player, Claus Thomsen, who has a back muscle problem, and Henrik. Larsen, once of Aston Villag. who has an ankle injury. It could mean a place in the

starting line-up for Kim Vilfort, who scored one of the goals in the 1992 final against Germany hut was only a late substitute for Croats, started the tournament the opening game this time.

This time the fans won't wear draws

HEAR ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND PLAY TO WIN TODAY AT 3PM.





Spanish attacking of Dinal THE INDEPENDENT - SATURDAY 16-JUNE 2017 You show up at Hampden with those white shorts pulled up around your arses, get played off the park, and win one-nil' configuration of the park around your arses around your arses. Soverland have been to be important by Scottish footong the imagery for which he was famous. "Stiting there, you was famous." Stiting there, you was famous. "Stiting there, you was famous." Stiting there, you was famous. "Stiting there, you was famous." Stiting there, you was famous. "Stiting there, you was famous." Stiting there, you was famous. "Stiting there, you was famous." Stiting there, you was famous. "Stiting there, you was famous." Stiting there, you was famous. "Stiting there, you was famous." Stiting there, you was famous of the type. When Martin Chivers put England "You show up at Hampden with 3-1 ahead with 20 minutes left to play those white shorts pulled up around at Wembley in 1971, a distinguished Scottish football writer threw down and win one-nil," a Scottish novel-ist once said bitterly to Bobby Moore. "Something like that," Scottish goals compared to the park and win one-nil," a Scottish novel-ist once said bitterly to Bobby Moore. "Something like that,"

That and the gloating cry of "What does the World Cup mean now?" heard in the Wembley press box after Scotland's 2-1 victory in 1967 encapsulates the subjectivity that is sure to be evident among reporters from both camps today when proceedings get under way in

The past has seen furious arguments in the press seats, even punchups. Why do we bother with this meaningless fixture?" a famed Daih Express columnist goaded during a period of English ascendancy.

Watching Alan Ball go off to play against Scotland, an Everton apprentice yelled: "I hope you get stuffed," across the car park. "It was the first time I'd ever heard him speak," Ball recalled Jack Charlton had a similar experience when turn-ing out for Leeds. "You must be joking," Alf Ramsey snorted when he was welcomed at Glasgow airport. In ills real and imagined, the Scots

see historical arrogance. Proving to

be a much superior combination at

Wembley in 1961, England simply piled on goals to win 9-3, a disaster

1963, both the Scottish goals coming from Jim Baxter. After opening the scoring, Baxter stood with arms aloft. "That's the greatest goal in Wembley's history," he said as teammates arrived in congratulation.

No great names now, but to be drawn in the same European Championship group as Scotland was bound to make England nervous. "If I was coaching another country it would not matter so much," Terry Venables said a few weeks ago. "But for England the game presents special problems. If the Scots hadn't won for a year



they would still be up for this one, giv

ing everything they've got, playing with the tremendous passion I saw in Dave Mackay when we were at Tottenham." The braveheart factor was clear in an interview Bill Shankly gave shortly before another match in the ancient sequence. Asked how it had felt in the dressing room before

say: 'Go and sort out these English bastards' - but no - it's an English paper I'm appearing in. 'Give every-thing for Scotland', that's what I'd hear the lion saying"

In his efforts to modernise think-ing in Scottish football, Jock Stein at-tempted to play down the fixture's importance when it was played on an rual basis. "Of course it's always one that you want to win," he said.
"A matter of great pride to Scotland, but people get carried away with the idea that nothing else matters. Beat England and that takes care of things for another season. That, 1 think, has held us back a bit. This was equally true of the anti-

English-based players. For exam-ple, Jimmy Logie, who was an out-standing inside-forward of the type known in his time as a schemer and also captained Arsenal, received only one cap. The greatest player in Tottenham Hotspur's history, Dave Mackay, was never a fixture. Even Denis Law was regarded with some

If Scotland's greatest victory came in 1929 when a diminutive attack outplayed England 5-1 to become immortalised as the Wembley Wizards, more account is paid to England's firs defeat as world champions.

Typically, the fact that England's defence was seriously weakened by an injury to Jack Charlton that left him to play most of the match as a

limping centre-forward was not seen to be important by Scottish re-porters, one dismissing it as a tacti-cal ploy that backfired on Ramsey. The intense fervour Scotland brought to that match was monumental, as though, in the words of one patriot, they were responding to a conviction that the rest of the world was conspiring to conceal how re-

markable they really were. Andacious infiltrations of a system that had restored respect for England internationally were inspired by the virtuosity that once characterised Scottish football.

Craig Brown will be sending out a far more functional team than the one of Baxter, Law, Billy Bremner Bobby Lennox and Jimmy McCalliog - but what has it got to do with me, a neutral?

Portugal end Turkish dreams

Vogts keeps covered from the City Ground B.15 er lets off glurkey

> fervent atmosphere generat-led largely by Turkey's excitable ollowers disguised an undisinguished Group D match ortugal through a 66th-minute olley by the Parma defender, ernando Couto.

The result spells eliminatioo or Turkey and the end of a elirious advecture for the nousands of their countrymen ho had flocked to Nottingham nese last few days, only to see neir side lose twice at the City fround by the same scoreline. Portugal complete their proramme here next Wednesday gainst Croatia, who meet Den ak in Sheffield tomorrow. Al-Though a point could be enough or Antonio Oliveira's team, so ght is this group that an outght win might still be necessary. And that is something they annot take for granted, by any seans. For all their clever auches, the Portuguese look esentially lightweight and the re-match suggestion by Rui osta, their midfield creator,

ine international calibre, has a Bodal C Indeed, the Tinks, had they not vealed shortcomings of their life time in attack, might easily have mbarrassed the team dubbed "he "Brazil of Europe", especially ad a dobious challenge by clder on Saffet Sançakli heen

mished with a penalty.

Turkey moved comfortably trough midfield, exposing the ortuguese back line to sever-

tat they lack a striker of gen-

let themselves down with a wasteful final pass. For all their possession, they failed to properly stretch goalkeeper Vitor Baia, who was not required to make a single save of oote. The balance of clear chances.

at least, confirmed the result as a just one. In the first half, Ricardo Sa Pinto should bave scored his second goal of the tournament, side-footing wide of the far post after a cross by Rui Costa who bad brilliantly outwitted Abdullah Ercan and Ogün Temizkanoglu. Later in the first half, Helder's acrobatic attempt to deflect Sa Pinto's shot past goalkeeper Rüstü Recber flashed narrowly wide. In the second period, João

Pinto, with only the goalkeeper in his path, controlled Dimas's cross on his chest, only to take it wide and spoil his angle. And, finally, the decisive

goal, the consequence of a cor-ner on the right. Paulo Sousa's sbot initially found a defender in its way, but the ball spun across the penalty area to Fer-nando Couto, who volleyed with his left foot, the ball swerying away from Rüstü's dive.

But the Turkish players rallied. Soon Fernando Couto was executing vital tackles to halt the frustrated Hakan Sükür and Abdullah as they drove forward.

Two minutes from the end, Portugal's lead looked vulnerable when Paulo Sousa brought down Sergen Yalçın just outside the penalty area. But the latter, taking the free-kick himself, sent the ball tamely over the bar, which, so far as the Turks were concerned, summed things up rather fittingly.

Turkey's striker Ertugrul Saglam has returned to Istanbul following the death of his sister, moments of unease, only to who had recently given birth.



Turkey's Abdullah Ercan tussies for the ball with Ricardo Sa Pinto of Portugal yesterday

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Vierrington 'shocked' by Southampton dismissal

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de had successfully avoided ne 51-year-old former proba-on officer, despite a run to the A Cup quarter-finals. "To say 's a great shock is a massive unerstatement," he said. Alan Ball's walk-out to join fanchester City led to Merington's promotion to the top b after 11 years as youth cam coach. He failed to imrove the Saints' form and they mly made sure of their Preniership status with a goalless tome draw with Wimbledon on

In the Cup quarter-finals, be Saints lost 2-0 to Mancheser United at Old Trafford afer Neil Shipperley had had a controversial goal disallowed. They gained revenge during he run-in, beating the double vinners 3-1 at The Dell.

he final day of the season.

The strikers Jean Pierre Papag and Dean Saunders could be on their way to Birmigham City in an audacious £2.5m double signing by their new manager, Trevor Francis.

outhamptooyesterday sacked neir manager. Dave Merring-on, less than a month after his record £1.5m fee with Galatasaray for Saunders. However, elegation from the Premier-lip. Nine victories in 38 league the former Derby, Liverpool and Aston Villa forward would ames proved not enough for prefer Premiership football and may yet join Nottingham Forest. The problem for Forest is that they have to sell Jason Lee and Andrea Silenzi to finance the deal.

Since Francis' arrival at the First Division club in May, he has signed Barry Horne from Everton for £250,000 and Steve Bruce on a free from Manchester United.

Leicester City have joined the list of Premiership clubs viewed as cash cows by investors, with the chairman, Martin George, being forced to step down in favour of a consortium which has pledged £7m for players.

George handed over the

reins of promoted City after five years in charge, following a boardroom split led by rebel directors, saying it would be "churlish" not to let go. He will remain as a director. His successor, Tom Smeaton,

has been in talks with outside backers eager for a share of a booming income fuelled by TV Francis has had talks with Pa-money. The cash for players will pin, the 32-year-old former be augmented by another £5m French international, who for ground redevelopment.

Davids returns home after row with coach

Edgar Davids, the Dutch mid-fielder, is returning home after a row with coach Guus Hiddink. Rob van Lede, the team's press officer, said: "Davids will be going home immediately."

Davids, who is leaving Ajax

for Milan in a £3.5m deal after Euro 96, was surprisingly dropped from the starting lineup for the Group A match against Switzerland oo Thursday, which the Dutch won 2-0. Davids was quoted in Friday's De Volkskrant newspaper as

saying: This was ooce [being omitted], but never again. I won't accept it the oext time. The coach listens too much to other players." Asked whether he expected to be sent home by his coach. Davids said: "We'll just have to wait and see." Romania have lodged an official complaint about referee Peter Mikkelsen's handling of

Thursday's defeat against Bulgaria at St James' Park. Trailing to Hristo Stoichkov's early goal, the Danish official

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30-yard shot hit the bar and bounced over the line. The Romanians were so furious they held a meeting immediately after the match, and their federation issued a state-

disallowed an equaliser from Dorinel Munteanu after his

meot to Uefa, the European governing body, which said: We would like to convey our deep disappointment and indignation in which our national team was deprived, totally unjustly and totally unfairly, of

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the chance of competing in a fair and unhindered tournament. "We are referring to that grave and undisputed refereeing decisioo in the 31st minute when a perfectly valid goal was not allowed to stand."

The Football Supporters' Association has backed Romania's complaint and urged Fifa, the world governing body, to investigate ways of introducing electronic equipment to judge whether or oot the hall has

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joined his local team. Sporting Gijon and then, in 1991, moved to Real Madrid, He was one of the outstanding players when Spain won the Olympic gold medal the following year. He is also versa-

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RIP-OFFS

EURO 96 No & A can of Occa-Cola (mejor Euro 96 spon-sors) cost £1 at St James" Park on Thursday. Have you come across any monster rip-cris? If so, fex details to Euro-spy on 0171 293 2894.

Bulgarians on the move yet again

Bulgaria continued to confuse their followers yesterday when they appropriately another classific of line tary appropriate at St. James Part.

mania at St James' Park.
lose 1-0 to France at St James' Park on Monday, Cinka suffice Redwood [Fall Hotel, south of Durham, as they said they had planned; Bulgaria decided to move further north and settle at the Holiday Inn. north of Newcastle - where

the players wives and girl-friends had been staying.

They had previously been staying at Scarborough on the Korishire coast but, after

Globetrotter rescued by Geordies



complaining that it was too quiet and remote, switched to hotel at Stockton, near Middiestrough, on Wednesday.

I am told this move to the Holiday Inn is definite—for now, said a local Euro 96 spokesman, "but it would be advisable to check."



Double disaster awaited "superfan" Constantin Ciuka at the end of bis 4,000km walk from Romania to watch Euro 96.

. After watching his heroes who calls himself "The Globetrotter" and is well known in Romania for walking to major sports events, was supplied with replacement

equipment by a local firm. Newcastle is a beautiful place and I've had a wonderful time despite what hap-pened to me," he said. "The only thing that depressed me was France beating Romania. I like to walk everywhere I can. I wish I could have swum the English Channel, but it was not possible."

FOOTBALL: THE UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE Problema v tom, shtobi zagnat evo v vorota,

. which is Russian for. "The problem is getting it

into the box, Andrei."

McCarthy's ban is reprieved The Republic of Ireland manfor international recognition, defence. Despite his sterling

ager, Mick McCarthy, has been given a reprieve from a onematch touchline ban, which will allow him to take his place in the dugout for tonight's final US Cup match against Bolivia. McCarthy will return to the Giants Stadium in New Jersey, where be was shown the red card during Wednesday's 2-2 draw with Mexico for throwing the ball into the crowd to deny the opposition a quick free-kick. But he will be without Liam Daish and Niall Quinn, who

were also dismissed that night. One player who will be in action, however, is Middlesbrough's Curtis Fleming. The full-back has waited a long time

hut in the last 10 weeks has accumulated seven senior caps. With Jeff Kenna absent be-

cause of a hamstring injury.

McCarthy's problems have not beeo belped by the fact that the Watford striker, David Connolly, is also banned after two bookings in the matches to date. he bas made six changes for the game with Bolivia. It will be the youngest Irish

side in history with an average age of just 22. Back come goalkeeper Shay Given, defenders Kenny Cunningham and the Terry Pbelan, and midfielders Liam O'Brien and Gareth Farrelly with Alan Kernaghan captaining the side in the centre of

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performance against Mexico

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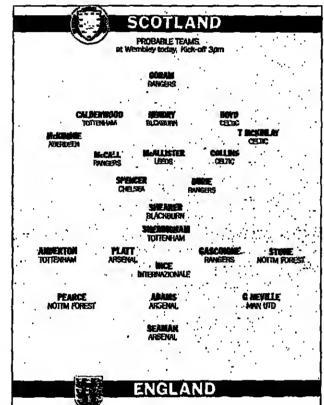
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Stiff challenge: Paul Gascoigne lends Alan Shearer moral support as he tries to beat the wall in free-kick practice at Bisham Abbey yesterday

Eager England in buoyant mood



Football Correspondent

As the Dutch and Scottish supporters journeyed to Villa Park oo Monday, an Orange-clad supporter turned to a tartan equivalent and said: "We hope you beat the Eng-lish." "Not as much as we hope

The Dutchman, with mock innocence, said: "Oh, you have a grudge against them?" "It goes back to the 1740s," said the Scot, only for a compatriot to interject, in equal seriousness: "It goes back a lot further than that."

Many are the ghosts that. stalk this fixture, the oldest in international football. Which will be in evidence this afternoon? Those of Culloden and Bannockburn, or of Jim Baxter and Steve Bull. Baxter inspired Scotland's Wembley win of stronger in the key midfield de-1967, thus enabling the Scots to cheekily claim to be world champions. Bull was the last man to score in this fixture, his debut goal earning England a

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2-0 victory at Hampden Park in 1989 (the first goal was a diving header from Chris Waddle).

Scotland have beaten England only once in 15 years and nine matches. That was through a Richard Gough goal in 1985. Since then the Scottish game has, in most judges eyes, slipped some way behind the English. Against that Scotland played. considerably better against the Netherlands on Monday than England did against Switzerland

Will all this history, ancient or modern, mean anything at 3pm this afternoon? A little. The traditional rivalries dictate that the game will be different from anything else in Euro 96 while Scotland may draw enough strength from ancient enmities and recent performances to counteract the perceived imbalance.

England may appear the better side but Scotland are partment. Gary McAlbster, Stuart McCall and John Collins have achieved a balance which England are yet to emulate. To counter them, England

will start today with Paul Gascoigne, Paul Ince and, if fit, David Platt. If the captain fails to make it, Jamie Redknapp or Gareth Southgate will replace

Of the English only Stuart Pearce, Tony Adams and Paul Gascoigne (as sub) have experience of these matches. Stewart McKimmie, Ally McCoist and Im Leighton have played in them for Scotland. More experienced than any

Bryan Robson, now part of England's coaching staff, who won four and drew two of eight. Anglo-Scottish clashes: "It's a great occasion to play in," he said. "I used to love it when the-Scottish supporters booed you when you were on the ball.

difficult game for them too. I'm fed up with hearing about the inter-club contests which may passion the Welsh, Irish and decide the game. The other is Scottish have whereas it's supfor us. There's no question that any Scottish blood in him (Steve guts than grace. If the players

Robson theo echoed the clan coming down to watch a classic.

Yoo tend to get a British style of game, end-to-end with blood. thunder and passion, but I've al-ways thought it's the team who uses their head and keeps composed which goes on to win. We want commitment and endevont but we also want cool and calm heads when we're on the ball, we have more skilful players than Scotland and we have to use that to our advantage."

Which leads to Paul Gascoigne, "It's the perfect game for him," Robson added. The Scots have a lot of respect for him as a footballer. "He's nearby back to his best and if he had not had his injuries he would have gone on to be the best m

"Everybody says it is going to: the world. On his day he still is." be a difficult game for us but I by Gascoggie's battle with Mecan promise it's going to be a Call, who will probably manmark him, is one of two Alan Shearer's with Colin posed to be just another game Hendry. When asked if he had contest will still be more about our lads will give as much as any Stone having sheepishly admitted to having a "McStone"

thoughts of Craig Brown, the from Kilmarnock), Shearer Scotland coach, as he added: replied: "I hope not."

England seemed in bouyant mood yesterday. Terry Venables jocularly calling a tartantrousered reporter "traitor". His main decisions concern who to play in central defence and on the wings, where England believe Scotland are vulnerable. Adams and Stooe, for their battling qualities, may be chosen ahead of the more polished Gareth Southgate and Steve McManaman.

Scotland have scored only twice in their last five games, one each against Australia and the USA, and if England get one goal they should avoid defeat. However, with England still to face the Netherlands, and Scotland meeting Switzerland, the home side are likely to need a

win to qualify. That both sides are expected to play three at the back is an indication of the changing nature of the British game, but the stay on the pitch, and the fans off it, it could be an epic, if not

medium Grand Pitt

"We're brothers, and that meens we obviously have a vely special relationship, but i'd say we're a pretty volable pair. When it came to racing on the whole, we reced well, but when we weren't happy, then SUITE IT WAS EXECUTOR cause we were brothers. Greg and Jonny Searce talk to lan Stafford as they prepare for their challenge for a second set of Olympic gold:

in tomorrow's independent on Sunday

The impression that he is constantly toying with the opposition and even the sport itself is the indelible. mark left by this new im-proved Michael Jordan. Never one to trumpet his own ethereal talents, Jorda was asked during the se son whether or hot he k he would end the year with the prestigious scoring title.
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Passion and patience the key for Scotland

PHIL SHAW

The baser side of the Scottish psyche may still be demanding an English heid," but Craig Brown's final rallying cry yes-terday was altogether more measured. "We must play with the head as much as the heart," he said. "I'd settle for a boring 1-0 victory."

Scotland, returning to Wembley after an eight-year ab-sence, would actually be content with a draw. Stalemate would suit them better than England, as Brown noted: "We think we have the easier final fixture, because we believe the Nether-lands are a marginally better team than Switzerland."

Inoffensive as such a statement may seem, it is as close as the Scotland manager has come to criticising any of his country's opponents during their eight days in the heart of England. In stark contrast with today's hosts, their stay has been an outstanding public relations success, but Brown is seeking points rather than plaudits be-

oeath the twin towers. The Scots are convinced that they could not have been better prepared. For a start, to use Brown's phrase, they are "com-petition-hardened" - unlike England - having had to qualify from a group including Rus-sia, Greece and Finland.

"Even our warm-up games were chosen with tough matches in mind," Brown said. "We played away to Denmark, the European champions, and the United States, as well as Colombia in Miami, which is virtually a home fixture for them.

"We lost all three, but I met Jozef Veoglos (the former Czechoslovakia coach and Aston Villa manager) recently and he told me that when they won the European Championship in 1976 they lost all three

friendlies beforehand. With respect to Hungary, whom England invited to Wembley, I feel we've had the harder

Even last month's pre-finals trip to the US, at a time when England were trekking to the Far East on their ill-fated jaunt with Cathay Pacific, is now bailed as ideal acclimatisation for the anticipated high tem-peratures in London. "On medical advice, we prepared in Miami so that we'd be able to cope with the heat and humid-ity," Brown said. " That 10 days is oow looking very

Brown's men may not overheat, but might the big occasion make them freeze? "We won't be overawed. The guys from Rangers and Celtic play in front of Britain's biggest crowds week in, week out. The Old Firm game is bigger than practically any English fixture. Also, Alan Shearer's experience of European competition is less than, say, Tom Boyd's."

Moreover, England can oo longer count on the Scotland goalkeeper to lend the kind of helping hands provided by Frank Haffey (between the posts when they crashed 9-3 in *61) and Stewart Kennedy (5-1 in 75). Under the guidance of Alan Hodgkinson, a former England keeper, the Bury-born Andy Goram has developed into a performer of exceptional technique and sound

temperament. The draw against the Dutch at Villa Park means that Scotland have conceded just three goals in 11 matches during this tournament. And one of those, in Athens, was a dubious penalty. Yet, if preventing goals has not been a problem, posching them self-evidently is. Brown has hinted that Ally

McCoist, the only Scotland scorer into double figures, will

play. That could be part of a misinformation campaign, though equally it may reflect an urgent need for goals. Any Scotsman scoring at Wembley is liable to find himself selected for Uefa's drug test.

The Scotland manager nev er reveals his line-op prior to a competitive fixture, let alone the formation in which they might play. It is probably safe to assume that all bot one, or at most two, of Monday's side will start this afternoon, although the likelihood is that they will revert to the tried and trusted 3-5-2.

Should that be the case. Tosh McKinlay would almost certainly return on the left of the quintet. Like Stewart McKimmie and Craig Burley, who will cootest the right-sided berth, McKinlay is equally comfortable as an orthodox full-back, which would allow Scotland to be flexible in their response to the way England play. It is in midfield that Brown appears to feel that the likes of Gary McAllister and John Collins may have an edge in mobility over Paul Gascoigne and

Those who have built up the game as a "British cup-tie", in which the more patient approach is put on hold for the day may, Brown argued, be in for a surprise. "We're not putting on the warpaint," he said, predicting a contest where passing would be even more important than passion.

In either instance, he does not expect his team to be found wanting. Bobby Gould, Wales' English manager, proclaimed Brown as a master of manmanagement" after watching his final press conference. "In a one-off like this it could be down to who controls the nervous tension best," Gould said. "At the moment that's Scotland. Back to Bannockbarn, page 17

